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In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the merciful

May the salutations, peace and blessings of Allah be upon the Holy Prophet Muhammad (S),

his purified households and truthful companions until the end of time.

PREFACE

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virtually impossible to achieve the aim of the Friday sermons for non-Arabic speakers and those

who do not comprehend the local dialect and has necessitated the need for this translation. This

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THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF MUHARRAM

All praise be to Allah who renew years by making a year overtake a previous. He has opened this year with the best of months (that is the month of Muharram). He has availed in this month grace, vast giving and favors. He has favored this month with the ten days which are honored during *Jåhiliyyah* (the pre-Islamic era of ignorance) and also in the Islamic era. Allah saved Prophet Musah (a.s) in this month and drowned *Fir 'awn*, the rebellious. Blessed them is Allah, the king, the knower.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, for what He has granted us of His favors and grace. I am also grateful to Him for the grace of Islam and *Eeman* (steadfastness in belief) that He has bestowed on us. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. A witness which salvages it bearer from the formidability of the day of crowd. I also bear witness that, verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the chief of the created, the illumination of darkness, the messenger of Allah, the king, the knower. May Allah's everlasting salutations, incessant peace and abundant blessings be upon this prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the one with a merciful heart our master Prophet Muhammad (S) his purified households and truthful companions with the passage of generations and days.

Oh people, indeed this New Year has come to you, therefore meet it with a warm welcome, acceptance and honor. Respect the sacred ordinances of your Lord in it and avoid any forbidden act. Increase your love for your Prophet, peace and blessings be upon him, in this month. And be obedient to him in what has ordained for you of *Eeman*, Islam and the principles of Islam. Know that verily your deeds are shown to him at all times on every Thursday and Monday. So, how embarrassed is the one whose deeds are ugly! And how great will be the wretchedness of he who is steadfast in evil. How do you face Allah, oh you who discontinues the thread of love and encourages disunity. Be careful of your duty to Allah and increase your obedience to Him from the onset of this month, He shall grant you goodness at its end. And fast on and the ninth and tenth of this month by following the footsteps of the Holy Prophet (S). Indeed, he fasted on the tenth and has said "Should I live for the coming year; I will surely fast on the ninth and tenth but Allah took his sacred soul that year. And grant ease for your households on

the tenth, for it is a great day. Give the Zakat of your wealth before you become remorseful because remorse will be of no benefit and so is blame. Indeed, it has been said that, Allah revealed to Prophet Dawud (peace and blessings be upon him) by saying "Oh Dawud, wealth is mine, the destitute are my kin and the wealthy are my agents. When my agents become stingy to my kin, I will make them taste my chastisement without consideration". Therefore, comprehend this statement and seek forgiveness from Allah. Verily, He forgives great sins and be careful of your duty to Allah, you shall enter paradise with peace.

HADITH

- "Medicate your sick ones with charity, guard your wealth with zakat and face hardships with prayers and beseech"
- * It has also been narrated from Abu Huraira (r.a), he said the Holy Prophet (S) has said:
 "Whoever Allah grants wealth and does not give out the zakat; the wealth, on the day of judgment, shall be turned into a poisonous snake that will bite him over his neck whiles it says, I am your wealth, I am your treasure. Then the Holy Prophet (S) recite,
 "And let not those who covetously withheld of that which Allah has bestowed them of His bounty..."

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF MUHARRAM

All praise be to Allah who has honored us with this blessed month and has made known to us the goodness and blessings in it. He has also made acts of obedience in this month compulsory for us and has multiplied it for us blessings and acts of worship by many folds.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He. Indeed, He has been very affectionate and merciful to us. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, a witness which will become a renowned treasure for us in paradise. I also bear witness that verily of our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is a prophet who Allah has featured with all forms of goodness. May Allah's abundant peace, everlasting salutations and incessant blessings be upon this prophet of honor and the messenger of the greatest linage,

the one with a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companions with the familiarity of goodness.

Oh people, verily this your month has a great honor and a glorified pride. The greatest King has dignified this month by creating in it the Al-Arsh, the Kursiyy, the slate and the pen. It is in this month that Hussein Ibn Ali Ibn Abi Talib (a.s) attained martyrdom. Because of this event, this month has gained the highest form of pride and honor. He was killed on the 10th of this sacred month 61 years after the migration of prophet hood, may peace and blessings of Allah be upon its custodian. This event happened at a land called Karbala (land of distress and ordeal). May Allah's curse his killers with all forms of distress and ordeals. Jåfar As-Sadiq (a.s) has said, the body of Hussein (a.s) was stabbed 63 times with arrows and spears and was hit 34 times with swords. The earth cried for his martyrdom and the skies rained blood. The skies become dark due to eclipse; the heavens become extremely dark for three days. All the stars ripped off from their orbits. Ordeals become intense until it was thought that the Day of Judgment was due. Why not, while he (Imam Hussein) is the son of Fatima Az-Zahra (a.s) and the grandson of the master of all creations in this world and the hereafter. The Holy Prophet (S) out of his intense love for *Hussein* (a.s) used to kiss his lips and carried him many times on his shoulders. What will have been the emotions of the Holy Prophet (S) had he seen Hussein killed with intense thirst whiles water was in front of him while his children cried out loudly. The Holy Prophet (s) would have indeed cried intensively for him. Therefore, take condolence, may Allah grant you mercy by virtue of this glorious grandson and a martyr. Condole yourselves on the death of your kinsmen and slaves with the death of Hussein (a.s). And be careful of your duty to Allah with the care which is due to Him.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "When people are gathered on the plain of judgment, a caller will call out from behind the curtain of *Al-Arsh*, 'Oh people of this gathering, cast down your looks until Fatima (a.s) the daughter of Prophet Muhammad (S) passes by'. She will pass by with the shirt of Hussein (a.s) completely soaked with blood. She will hang the shirt beneath the *Al-Arsh*, (the mighty throne of Allah) and will say, 'Oh Allah you are the Supreme, the Just, judge between me and those who killed my son'.

Then Allah will judge between her and the killers of her son, she will then say "Oh Allah grant intercession through me for those who cried on my ordeal and Allah will grant them intercession"

- ❖ In another narration He (S) said; "Angel Gabriel told me that, verily, Hussein (a.s) will be killed along the Euphrates"
- "The most loving of my family to me are Hassan (a.s) and Hussein (a.s)".

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF MUHARRAM

All praise to be Allah, the king, the powerful, the self-sufficient from any associates and helps. The purified from an opposition, a rival, a like and an equivalent. He is cleansed from change in form and diminishing. He is the powerful who has granted safety to the believers from the punishment of the hellfire and has caused destruction to the rebellious based on what He has desired and decreed. The possessor of all form of greatness, He gets hold of and crisps anyone who disputes Him in His greatness. He is indeed competent in carrying out all His wills.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, though our ultimate thanks giving to Him is still deficient. I am also grateful to Him though our gratefulness for an entire life time is a small portion (of what He deserves). I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the ultimate, the greatest. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the giver of glad tidings, the warner, the caller to Allah with His permission and a light that gives brightness. May Allah's abundant peace, everlasting salutations and incessant blessings be upon this prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the one with a merciful heart our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companions until the day of return to Allah.

Oh people, the signs of the hereafter have manifested. It is not hidden from any visionary person. However, you are very reluctant and have forgotten of the final abode and the hereafter. You show off bad moral in front of Allah while He is the All-seeing. You are persistent in sinning and are doing things that can make you disbelievers. You have taken your sins so lightly

as though it were a fly which steps on a person's nose and flies and are you are blaming generation. Verily it (generation) shall also blame against you and will seek recompense. Day and night do not change in behavior but you are those who change. How many principles of the religion have you change? How many sacred things in the principles of religion that you have also taken for granted? How many a noble have you abased and an ignoble have you elevated? Now your younger ones do not revere the elderly and the elderly are not merciful to the younger. And whatever affliction befalls you, it is an account to what your hands have earned and yet Allah pardons most (of your faults). Surely, we are Allah's and to Him we shall surely return. Undoubtedly, this affair (life) shall be brought to an end. So be careful of your duty to Allah with the care due to Him. You shall be salvaged from the punishment of hellfire.

HADITH

The Prophet (s) has said: When the end time is due, Allah (SWT) will take away four things. Firstly, He will take away blessing from the earth, secondly, He will take away mercy from the hearts of men. Thirdly, He will take away justice from Judges and fourthly, He will take away modesty from women.

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF MUHARRAM

All praise be to Allah who created man out of an extract of clay, then He placed his generations in a despised water, then He fashioned him and breathed into him, so blessed is Allah, the best of creators. He is the one who give and cause deficiency. He is also the one who cause both loss and benefit to His servants. He joins and also causes a split. He is purified from any need for a helper or a supporter.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, with the thankfulness of a servant who truly attests certainty. I am also grateful to Him with the gratefulness of a servant who expresses gratitude with an eloquent speech of the Arabic language. I bear witness that, there no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the king, the magnified truth. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the truthful covenant, the trustworthy. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant blessings and abundant salutations be

upon this Prophet of honor and the messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companions until the they of resurrection.

Oh people, purified yourselves from the love of this world so that you may attain success with the successful ones. And do not be focused on your properties for verily Allah is the provider, the owner of power, the strongest. Why do you abase the rights of Allah and get occupied by things that are not religious? Why do you help the oppressors against the oppressed? Why do you mock destitute believers and scoff believing servant of Allah, why do you seek the trust of people with your words while you cause the anger of the Lord of the worlds. Verily, your souls are abased in your seek for worldly bounties and have been among the occupied ones. Your heart find ease in listening to deceptive sounds and the words of ignorance but it dies when it hears the truth and the teachings of the clear book. You have followed desires and the footsteps of Shaitan, the cursed. When you are called upon to an innovative act (bid 'a) you respond with absolute obedience but when you are invited to a tradition of the Holy Prophet (S), you despise it. When you are continuously admonished, you become angry, arrogantly. It will not be surprised when Masih al-dajjal evolves from you, most of you will be submissive to him. It will not be a surprised when the creature gets evolved among you and it separates the submissive from the disbelievers. It will not also be a surprise when the holy Quran is taking away from the hearts of those who have memorized it, and from the shafts of writers and there will not be a surprise when the sun rises from the west and the door of repentance is also closed for sinners. It will not also be a surprise when there are wipes, disappearances, earthquakes and all the signs of the Day of Judgment.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (s): "Make abundant your saying of *La ilaha ill-Allah* before you are prevented from saying it, and say it to your dying ones"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SAFAR

All praise be to Allah who created Adam from dust and made him complete and divided his generations into different forms that nobody has a complete knowledge of, saved Him. He made a part of them poor and others wealthy. He also made a part of them far from Him and drew others closer. He held His sustenance from a part of His servants and provided for others, He also caused a part of them to die and others to live. He made a part of them successful and others wretched.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, with an unlimited thanksgiving. I am also grateful to Him with the gratefulness of a servant who seeks proximity to his lord. I bear witness that, there no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, a witness which salvages its bearer from the chastisement of Allah. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the leader of His prophets. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant blessings and abundant salutations be upon this Prophet of honor and the messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (s), his purified households and truthful companions until the day of meeting Him.

Oh people, remember that which ends happiness (death), whoever remembers it, is in the trust of Allah. And do not seek the tranquility of this world with an everlasting dwell in it, for everlastingness in this world is impossible. Nobody ever lasts except Allah. Know that verily your Prophet (S) is from Allah, when his departure was close, and the time of death was near, the angel of death descended to him, knocked his door and called out to him, He (S) said who is by the door, oh Fatima? Then she said, 'it is a visitor oh my father' He (S) said, 'do you know the visitor?' She said 'no by Allah oh my father'. Then he (S) said 'oh Fatima, it is that which ends happiness and that which separates people and that which makes sons and daughters orphans, so open the door for him, for there is no plan nor strength except with Allah' She (a.s) opened the door for him and she heard his voice but did not see him. He was saying peace be upon you oh household of prophet hood and message and honor, then the messenger of Allah (S) said 'peace and mercy of Allah be upon you too oh my brother, oh *Azrael*, have

you come to visit me or to take my soul with the permission of Allah?' He said 'I have never visited anyone in the land of the living before you, oh my love, except that I have been commanded to be gentle and affectionate on you, if you say I should take your soul, I will do that with the command of Allah but if you say I should return, so do I. So, you make a decision. I urge you by Allah not to take my soul until my brother Jibreel comes from his lord, where did you leave him? He said I left him in the heavens, receiving condolences from the angels of Allah for your soul. Before he ended his speech, the trustworthy Jibreel landed saying 'Oh Muhammad, your lord greets you and says to you, you are His messenger and His chosen one, if you wish, He will delay your lifespan like how He did to Nuh (a.s), the prophet of Allah. Then He (S) said, 'and what will be after that?' He (Jibreel) said, 'then you will meet your lord at that moment'. He (S) said, 'oh my brother Azrael, I urge you by Allah to take my soul, verily the lifespan has reached its end'. At that moment, he begun taking his (S) dignified soul until he reached his (S) knees, he (S) said, 'among those whom Allah has graced' and when he reached his (S) navel, he (S) said, 'and verily our return is to Allah, and when he reached his (S) chest, he (S) said, 'verily we are from Allah' and when he reached his (S) throat, Fatima (a.s) cried out 'oh my distress upon the distress of the loss of my father' so he (S) embraced her, she strained his turban and he (S) fulfilled his vow. This is what has been narrated on the death of the messenger of Allah (S). Today, it is deserving for the eyes to shed tears and for the heart to fear upon the departure of the best of the created. So be careful of your duty to Allah with the care which is due to Him.

HADITH

- The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Jibreel came to me and said, live how you desire for verily you shall die and love whoever you want for you shall leave the person. Perform any deed you want, for you shall be judged with it"
- ❖ It is narrated that, he (S) said, "My living is good for you and my death is also good for you. Your deeds are brought to me, when I see goodness, I thank Allah, and when I see other than that, I seek forgiveness for you"

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SAFAR

All praise be to Allah who created man and shaped him from non-existence. He apportioned his sustenance and his term of life and He decreed death for him, and decided for him to be either among those who will be unhappy (inhabitants of the hell-fire) or among the happy (inhabitants of paradise). He has indeed decreed that without any form of oppression.

I thank him, glorified and exalted is he for what he has granted and shared. I am grateful for what He has availed of grace. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, he has no associate, a witness which saves its bearer from difficulties. I also bear witness that verily our master and prophet Mohammed (S) is His servants and messenger. He is a prophet by whose virtue Allah has elevated and sealed all messengers. May Allah's abundant peace, incessant blessings and continuous salutations be upon this prophet of honor and the messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master prophet Muhammad (s) his purified households upon the existence of grace and honor.

Oh, son of Adam, you wasted all efforts on worldly affairs whiles it is an abode of worry grief and sickness, you have abused the rights of Allah and have become someone who neither understands nor comprehends. Oh you, who have made lawful what Allah has made forbidden and performs all forbidden acts, what is your stand with respect to those who weep due to the fear of Allah and become remorseful. Oh, he who's kafan (shroud) has been weaved whiles he is unaware, how do compare with a people whose sides forsake their beds when the night becomes dark. How miserable and destitute you are, you desire an everlasting life whiles the pillars of your youth are crumbling. Oh, you who is covered by the amusement of this world whiles the yarns of his shroud are prepared. On every Friday you hear admonitions whiles your turn deaf and dumb to that. So, repent to Allah with a sincere repentance whiles good deeds are still beneficial. Inevitably you shall stand before Allah the greatest. He shall judge you on all your smaller and bigger acts and on every grain and penny with a judgment in which no one will oppress nor will you be oppressed. Then after, there will be the path either to the exalted paradise where a person finds grace or to the massively burning hell fire where its food is Zaqqum and its drink is pus. I urge you by Allah to send beforehand good deeds, you shall be safe from the punishment of the hellfire. You shall remember what am saying to you oh sinner,

and shall understand when the *Sirat* is set straight on the path of the hellfire, and when the scale (for measuring good and bad) is set and the oppressor shall be told to step forward and the oppressed shall be told to stand for judgment to be made. When the called is among the happy ones, he shall be given glad tidings thereupon and will rejoice, but when he is among the wretched, he shall cry and remorse on his reluctance. At this juncture, the criminals shall be identified by their marks and they shall be held by their forelocks and feet. And the successful shall be granted honor and grace.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Worship Allah as though you see him, for if you do not see Him, verily, He sees you. Count yourselves among the dead and be careful of the cry of the oppressed for verily it is answered"

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SAFAR

All praises be to Allah who prevails at all times with might, and is always exalted in His greatness. When you engage with Him, you shall find Him fulfilling, and when you establish a covenant with Him, you shall find Him the ultimate in fulfilling covenants. A drop from His oceans of bounties is enough to fill this world. A single stare with His eye of mercy is enough to turn a disbeliever into a vicegerent. Paradise is for the one who obeys Him even if he is a dark-skinned servant. And the hellfire is the abode of the one who disobeys Him even if he belongs to the honorable linage of *Quaraysh*. Allah, the exalted has said, a luminous statement in His book, "This is the garden which we cause those of our servant who guard themselves (against evil) to inherit".

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, with a sincere thankfulness. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. A witness by virtue of which we seek the gift of a glorious castle in paradise. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. How amazing a prophet, he was! Had you got the privilege to look at him, you will have surely seen his face to be a very luminous one with an extremely bright forehead. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations

and abundant blessings be upon this honorable prophet and messenger, the leader of the greatest of all linages, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companion at sunrise and sunset.

Oh people, purify yourselves from the love of this world because the happiness of this world is a very limited one. And make provision from your good deeds for verily, the journey is a very long one, and do not trust this world, for an everlasting life in it is impossible. Why not! Whiles a caller calls out every day; "Oh servants of Allah the departing, the departing" and that is death which there is no miss in its affair nor does it come before it's time. Allah does not accept a ransom for it nor a change of soul. Many at times it partners a sick one leaving the healthy and vice versa. Many at times it takes away a relative from his relatives and a lover from a loved one. How do you desire an everlasting life and the taker of souls is *Azrael*? Until when will be this forgetfulness and hard-heartedness whiles nothing remains of this life except a few. Then you shall be returned to your lord the exalted in his greatness from any like and example. So, what will be your answer oh abased servant, when your lord, the majesty questions you; "what did you do with my abundant favors and grace. I avail to you my grace and made you aware of my lordship and sent to you the greatest of my messengers. However, you turned blind and death from obedience to me and chose the path of destruction.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Any believer who feeds another believer and satisfies his hunger, Allah will feed him with the fruits of paradise on the Day of Judgment and any believers who quenches the thirst of another believer, Allah will quaff him with a pure sealed drink on the Day of Judgment. And any believers who clothes another believer from nudity, Allah will clothe him with the customs of paradise"

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SAFAR

All praise be to Allah who is hidden in His veil of Lordliness such that eye sights do not perceive Him. He is unique in His perfect features to the extent that assumptions do not

comprehend Him. And has decreed death for all his servants. 'Every soul shall taste death and we try you by evil and good by way of probation, and to us you shall return'.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He with all the thanksgivings uttered by expert thanks givers. I am also grateful to Him with the gratefulness that cools eye sights. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. He is the knowledgeable about all occurrences before they occur. I also bear witness that verily our master Prophet Muhammad(s) is His servant and messenger. He is a Prophet by whose virtue all prophets and messengers attained honors and might. May Allah's abundant salutations, continuous peace and everlasting blessings be upon this prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (S) his purified households and truthful companions until the day of resurrection.

Oh people, what is the negligence that you have cleaved on, you hear admonitions every Fridays but you turn death ears. Do you think you have an everlasting life in this world? Or is it that you imagine that you shall not die and be resurrected? Or that Shaitan has inspired to you that you shall not be chastised on your evil deeds? If these are your hopes and wishes, then verily by Allah, it has failed. Where are the Prophets of Allah, where are the vicegerents of Allah, where are the messengers of Allah, where is Fir 'awn and Haman where is Prophet Harun and where is Karun? Where are the past nations and generations, where are your forefathers. By Allah, indeed they have all turned into soil, molten and decayed. Have you not heard what Allah said in His protected book? "Surely you shall die and they two shall die; then surely on the Day of Judgment you will contact with one another before your Lord". And be careful of your duty to Allah so that you shall be granted mercy.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The day of resurrection shall not occur until there comes a generation where a man will pass by the grave of a dead man and say o! I wish I was in his place".

THE FIFTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SAFAR

All praise be to Allah who is watchful over His servants. The close to those who seek His companionship and love, the supreme above those who wage war against among His servants, the one who quells those who dispute Him and avoid what he has intended.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, for what He has availed to us of His grace and His supply of favor. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, with the witness by means of which a servant will reach his wildest dreams. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the one who has enlightened existence with his army. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant blessing and abundant salutations be upon this Prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companions until the day of the greatest gathering.

Oh, son of Adam, how many a grace of Allah on you that you conceal? And many a punishment He restrains. Had you thought about it circumstances, you will find that many a great case is respited. If you think about existence, you will realize that He strives like a servant for your goodness. How surprising is it that you count your ordeals while forgetting the grace. And many an ordeal is a grace for a mindful and thoughtful scholar. Many a reward exists in poverty and in many an illness is forgiveness of sins and a scrub away for shortcomings. And your lord is not unjust to the servants but He is just in all what He judges. Oh, you who is busy straying away from his lord, wake up for your many flaws when it comes to judgment and you are unjust in your claims. If He has denied you an instant, how many instances has He granted you. And if He has caused you sickness today, He has healed you in many other days. By Allah, had it not been for his mercy, He will not swerve pain away from you and will not honor you. Many an instance your lord grants you goodness while you face him with disobedience while He is watchful over you and aware. How about if you worship with your body and glorify Him with the tongue and confirm His oneness with the heart and be like a wanderer in His love. By Allah, everything great will be ease for you and no affair shall fulfill unless there is reduction. No servant has served Him sincerely except that He engulfs him with His Ocean of vast goodness.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "When a servant repents, Allah causes the recorders to forget his sins. He also causes his body parts and his marks on earth until he meets Allah without a witness against his sins"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH RABI UL-AWWAL

All praise be to Allah who has graced us with the manifestation of the master of men and decreed his birth in this honorable month of illumination. On the night of his (S) birth, his illumination overlapped the brightness of all the stars and the moon, and birds wrapped up the house of Sayyida Amina praising and glorifying Allah. The fence of *Kisra* Thorne apart and broke. Purified is the Lord who sent him to the whole of humanity, so he gave glad tidings and warned.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, with the thanksgiving of the one who enjoined good and forbid evil, I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, with the witness which will scrubs away our smaller and bigger sins. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the custodian of miracles that will be talked about until the end of time. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant blessings and abundant salutations be upon this Prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companions until the day of the greatest gathering.

Oh people, like how it has been narrated, the knowledge of Allah (S.W.T) encompasses all past and future events and occurrences, both latent and manifest, so purified is He who is watchful over all His servants, so He knows the obedience of the obedient and the rebellion of the ungrateful. He held a section of his creatures and said "these are the dwellers of paradise and these are inhabitant of the hellfire I do not care". He also held a section of His illumination and said "be Muhammad" the master of men. And so, the brightness was in front of Allah like a luminous light which glows and brightens. Allah then divided his light into four like how it

has been narrated, He created the slate and the pen from the first section. And the pen wrote all that Allah has commanded it to write. He created the *Al-Arsh* and the *Kursiyy* from the second section of the light, and the name of the Holy Prophet(s) was on the mighty throne in the front of a line, it was written on the mighty throne "There is no deity except Allah, I will not forgive the one who says it unless it is stated alongside your name, Oh Muhammad" from the third section of the light, He created the moon, the sun and twilight when it exposes. From the fourth section, He created paradise and all what it entails, including the maidens, children, castles and fruits. When Allah intended to create Prophet Adam (a.s), He casted a section of the light of the Holy Prophet(s), the source of pride, on the clay of Adam and said "be Adam". This narration is just like how it has been reported in history books.

HADITH

- The Holy Prophet(s) said: "Among the many miracles that my Lord has granted me is that, I was born circumcised and no one has seen my shame".
- It is also narrated that the Holy Prophet(S) said "Verily Allah chose *Kinanah* from the linage of Prophet Ismail (a.s) and He chose *Kuraish* from the linage of *Kinanah*, He chose *Bani Hashim* from *Kuraish*, And He chose me from *Bani Hashim*. So, I am the chosen one, from the chosen ones from the chosen ones".

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RABI UL-AWWAL

All praise be to Allah, the king, the deity, the One, the only, the Benignant, the loving, the All-seeing who sees the movement of water in inanimate rocks. The creep of a black ant on a dark rock in a dark night is not hidden from Him.

I thank him, purified and exalted is He, for what he has granted us of His grace and generosity. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, a witness which salvages its bearer from the narrowness of the grave. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (s) is His servant and messenger. He is a prophet by whose virtue past and current generations attained honor. May Allah's everlasting blessings,

incessant peace and abundant salutations be upon this Prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master Prophet Muhammad (s), his purified households and truthful companions with the sprouting of crops and the growth of leaves on trees.

Oh people, the truth has manifested but eyes are blind and does not see. The straight path is clear, so the forger of lies should desist from his forges. In a similitude of this great month, the sun of belief raised; it abased the worship of idols and exposed the religion of Islam, which is the birth of the leader of the messengers of Allah. He came out of his purified mother trustworthy and cleanse of all forms of filth reinforced by great Angels, looking at the skies with his honorable eyes praying to the Benignant, the aware, his umbilical cord was already incised and sealed, a blessing to his trustworthy nation. Accompanied by a special brightness which overlapped the castles of *Bus'ra*. All creations showed their happiness and glad tidings for his appearance. Allah caused some stars to be exposed in the skies and then made them missiles for the devils. The Holy Prophet (s) was always accompanied by success which brightens and the proofs of felicity got exposed with his teachings until his fortieth year of life on earth, Allah sent him as a messenger to the whole of creation.

HADITH

The Prophet(s) has said: "I was the first Prophet to be created but the last of them to be sent. Verily, I was sent at the end time so that the past nations will not see the short comings of my nation"

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RABI UL-AWWAL

All praise be to Allah who created man from an extract of clay and placed him by His power in a secured resting place. Then He made his seed (semen) a clot, then made the clot a clump of flesh, then made the clump of flesh bones, He then clothed the bones with flesh and a tough skin. He incised for him an ear and an eye and opened his tongue by means of which he speaks with a clear speech. And He made him to face towards the back of his mother in her womb with certainty. He breaths between the two knees and the saddened heart. He (Allah) placed

his desires on her heart, when he desires something, it comes to him. And He made avail to him an angel who caters for him whiles he is in his mother's womb as a fetus. When his creature becomes complete, and his term becomes full, Allah brings him out to existence as a well statured human. Therefore, blessed is Allah, the best of creators.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, with the thankfulness of a servant who attests the truthful certainty. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only He has no associate, His is the magnified truthful kingdom. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the one who attests the trustworthy promise. May Allah everlasting peace, incessant blessings and abundant salutations be upon this prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart our master Prophet Muhammad(s) his purified households and truthful companions and until the end of time.

Oh people, know that verily Allah, the purified and the exalted, made prayers a pillar of this religion. He has commanded us to pay heeds to prayers so that we become among the successful and has enticed about it in His manifest book. Allah the exalted has said, while He is the most truthful of speakers, "attend constantly to prayers and to the middle prayer and stand up truly obedient to Allah" Whoever downplays the warnings of Allah has indeed returned with sins and shortcomings. Whoever leaves prayers for three days has no portion in the religion of Islam and deserves humiliation and a devastating punishment. Attend constantly to prayers and to the middle prayer and stand up truly obedient to Allah. Behold, whoever neglect prayers verily returns with humiliation and devastation. Allah wipes way his sustenance and fades away illuminations from his face. Whoever neglects prayers will be commanded to payback the prayers at the verge of the hellfire and will not descend the pond with those who descend. Attend constantly to prayers and to the middle prayer and stand up truly obedient to Allah. The one who neglects prayers has been stripped of justice, Allah does not raise to the heavens the prayers of the one neglectful of prayers and does not accept his deeds for verily Allah only accepts from those who are weary of Him. Attend constantly to prayers and to the middle prayer and stand up truly obedient to Allah. One the day when a caller will call out, where is the one who was noted of disobedience but has slept when prayers were due. Today, I will take retribution and I am the mighty, the lord 'of retribution. I will make him taste the

punishment and the refuse (diet) of the hellfire. How miserable is the stay in a house whose punishment is humiliating. *Attend constantly to prayers and to the middle prayer and stand up truly obedient to Allah*. Be careful of your duty to Allah with the care which is due to Him, you shall succeed with His trust at all times and instances.

HADITH

- The Holy Prophet (s) has said from that which he narrated from his lord, the mighty the exalted "The person who is neglectful to prayers is cursed, his neighbor who backs and trust him is also cursed. Had it not been that I am a just judge, I would have verily said, whatever comes from his loins is cursed"
- The Holy Prophet (s) has said: "Whoever is delighted to meet Allah in peace should attend constantly to the five daily prayers"

THE FOURTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RABI UL-AWWAL

All praise be to Allah who created Adam from an extract of clay and made him complete. He then composed him of bones, flesh, skin, blood and sweat with each of them separated from one another and no one has knowledge of this composition except Allah. When Allah caused the soul to settle down in his head and reached the center of his head, he sneezed and Allah inspired him to say *Alhamdulillah*, so that was the first word, said by Adam (a.s), then His lord called out to him "Oh Adam, may Allah have mercy on you", He raised the skies with His power and spread the earth with His wisdom. *Now surely, His is the creation and the command, blessed is Allah...*

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, with a thankfulness which has no ultimate, I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only He has no associate, a witness which will salvage its bearer from the chastisement of Allah. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (s) is His servant and messenger, the leader of all His Prophets. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant blessings and abundant salutations be upon this prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart our

master Prophet Muhammad (s) his purified households and truthful companions until the day of exposition and meeting Him.

Oh, people know that verily anyone who follows worldly desires will be overtaken by intense grief and external unhappiness. The happy is the one who obeys his Lord and the wretched is he who trades his hereafter in exchange for worldly benefits. Many an instant it has deceived humans until death overtook them. Whoever is not admonished by death will not be admonished by Allah. Where is Adam whom Allah (SWT) created and chose, and made the garden of paradise his home and site of dwelling, where is Nuh, whom Allah (SWT) has gifted a long lifespan and was forgotten from death, where is Musah the son of Imran whom Allah (SWT) spoke with on the mountain of Sinai and conversed, where is Dawud whom Allah has made the iron soft for and entrusted him by His grace. Where is Suleiman whom Allah has granted a kingdom in which no one has been given except him, where is Isa, the son of Mariam who healed the blind and the leprous and brought to life the dead by the permission of Allah. Where is our Prophet Muhammad (s) whom Allah made to go on a night journey and brought him near and close, and there is no creature dearer to Allah than him, when his depart to the next world was close and death stepped closer to him, the companions had no one to lead them in prayers, when he heard the agitations of the companions he raised his eyesight to the skies calling unto His Lord saying, Oh You who answers the distress when he calls unto Him, make easy for your prophet his pains, until he bids Muslims farewell with a prayers. So, he prayed with them while he was seated and that was his last prayers in this world.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (s) has said, "The best among you is he whose life span prolongs whiles his deeds are good and the worse among you, is he whose life span prolongs whiles his deeds get ugly".

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RABI-U-THANI

All praise be to Allah who has made prayers compulsory on his servants, believing men and women, and made it a pillar for this straight religion. And has made the actuality of prayers

to be good deeds. Our Lord has made compulsory upon us five daily prayers at five different times. We do not have any excuse to delay prayers on their appointed times. Whoever pay heeds to these prayers by completing its bowing, prostration and recitations, the prayers serve as an atonement for his sins.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, and I ask Him for an increment of His grace at all times. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah. The only, He has no associate, a witness which salvages its bearer from perdition. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (s) is His servant and messenger, the chief of the elites. May Allah's abundant salutations, incessant peace and continuous blessings be upon this Prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master prophet Muhammad (s), his purified households and truthful companions with the existence of the heavens and the earth

Oh people, be careful of your duty to Allah, He will forgive your sins and shortcomings. And know that verily the witness of the person who is neglectful of prayers is void. And it is not permissible to extend Salam to him in a gathering of people. If he initiates the Salam do not respond. This is how An-Nawawi narrated in some narrations. The one who is neglectful of prayers mostly breach his promise or trust. The one neglectful of prayers, when death comes to him and the pain of death intensifies on him, his soul is pulled out like how a delicate veil of silk is pulled from torn and horns that destroys it. When his soul leaves his body the angels of punishment then hang the soul accompanied with igniting flames of fire. The soul is then ascended to the sky whiles the soul stinks with a bad smell. The doors of the heavens will be locked and the soul will be returned to the body in the most despised and ugliest manner. The neglectful of prayers, when placed in his grave and covered with dust, the grave speaks to him with eloquence and clear words saying; you are not welcomed and there is no ease for, oh you who downplayed the rights of the Lord of creations, how awful is the long period you spent on me while you neglected the prayers. And you forgot prayers due to desires and lusts. Today, you shall witness punishment from me, a punishment that strife mountains cannot stand. The grave will squeeze him to the extent that his ribs will interchange their positions. So be careful of your duty to Allah with the care which is due to him at all times.

HADITH

Anas Ibn Malik said regarding the verse of the Quran "Say I seek refuge in the Lord of the dawn". He said what is Falaq oh messenger of Allah? The he (s) said, it is a pit in the hellfire. Had a bird fly for thousand years it won't reach it button. Then I said, who is it for oh messenger of Allah (s). He (s) said "it is for the one who is neglectful of prayers whiles healthy"

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RABI-U-THANI

All praise be to Allah who has graced us with Islam and be *Eeman*, the lord of the worlds, He has nurtured us with several forms of His grace, the beneficent, the merciful to his servants in graves, with compassion and affection. The king of the day of judgment who he judges among his servants with just and goodness, you alone we worship, that is, we have made you special for all forms of worships at all times and generations and you alone we ask for help against our enemies, the rebellious souls and against Shaitan. Guide us to the straight path by making us firm in belief, the path of those whom you have favored among the guided ones to the path of paradise, not the path of those you are angry with and not the path of the lost ones, the unbelievers and the rebellious, amen, as an answer to our prayers and a gratitude to the King, the determiner of all affairs. I thank him, exalted and glorified is he. He is the one who all forms of tongues are thankful to, I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah the only, He has no associate, with a witness which saves it bearer from the hellfire. I also bear witness that verily our master and prophet Mohammed (s) is his servant and messenger, he is a prophet who has been sent at the end time. May Allah's everlasting blessings, incessant peace and abundant salutations be upon this prophet of honor and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the custodian of a merciful heart, our master prophet Muhammad(s), his purified households and truthful companies until the end of time.

Oh, people may Allah have mercy upon me, you and all other Muslims by the might of *Surat al-Fatiha*, where are the fathers, children and brothers? Where are the past kings, the scholars and the lovers? Where are the judges, those who bear witness, and the owners of

crowns? All of them have been buried deep down in graves and eaten up by maggots and their shrouds (*kafan*) have been teared apart. I swear by Allah, had they had the opportunity, they will utter that which cannot be described by humans and jinn about the pain and difficulty of death, and the taking away of the soul from the body is severe than three hundred hurts with a sword and spokes of spears. The most difficult than these is the questioning of the two angels about the highest lord and the prophet sent at the end time, if a person is able to answer them rightly and truthfully, they open a door for him from the doors of paradise and then they go away while he is filled with delight and happiness. But as for the hypocrite, two dogs will come to him in his grave, one bites him while the other curses him, then the two angels, stern and strong, will say to him, who is, your lord and who is your prophet and what is your religion. He will say this is my lord whiles pointing to Shaitan, they will beat him severely, a magnitude of which could cause the tooth to be uprooted, them and they will open for him a door from the doors of the hell fire, how will he be happy, the one who dies while Allah is angered with him, so be careful of your duty to Allah with the care which is due to him secretly and openly.

HADITH

- The Holy Prophet (s) has said: "The most difficult prayers for the hypocrite are Subh and Isha. Had they had known what these prayers entails of goodness they would have verily attended even with a crawl"
- The Holy Prophet (s) has said: "People are asleep. When they die, they get awaken"

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE NONTH OF RABI-U-THANI

All praise be to Allah, who firm mountains crumble due to His greatness. The all-knowing, not even an atom moves except with his permission and no latent entity in the universe is hidden from Him. The all-seeing who sees the crawl of a black ant in a dark might while it moves. He created the ant and provided it with sustenance amid the weakness in its movement. So, it glorifies Him with thanksgiving and sanctifies Him by his exaltedness. So, felicitations to those with purified hearts.

I thank him, purified and exalted is He, for the grace that are undisrupted. I bear witness that verily there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the lord who revives worn-out bones. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Mohammed (s) is His servant and messenger. He is a prophet who Allah sent with the guiding path. May Allah's abundant salutations, incessant blessings and abundant peace be upon this prophet of honor, the messenger who heads the greatest linage, the one with a merciful heart, our master prophet Mohammed, his purified households and truthful companions, people of high ranks, with the existence of this world.

Oh people, for how long have you been admonished yet your hearts are hardened and for many times you are guided to the right paths yet your eyes are blind from the paths. For many times you are despised from this world, yet your hearts are so attached to its love. And for many times you are roused about the hereafter, yet your hearts despise and turns away. How I wished there is a successful one among us so we give him glad tidings of a mighty paradise, and who is the wretched among us, so we condole him about the blazing fire. How I wish these sermons of mine will soften hardened hearts. For verily there are rocks from which flowing streams gushes out. Oh, you who's hearts have been overcome by desires. It is as through am by you and all your homes have become empty and death has moved you to your graves and your children turn out to be crying over him with hot tears. So, take lessons from those who have passed before you in the gone generations. Verily, the evil accidents of time have watered them with impure drinks and that could also befall you too, only Allah knows, either in the morning or at sunset. Then you shall be raised from your graves barefooted and naked. So, what will be your answers when your responses are not enough? And chains shall be placed on your necks and you will have accompanied by the braves of army. And the angels will call out, this is the payback of the one who downplays the rights of one from whom nothing is hidden. So be careful of your duty to Allah in secret and in open.

HADITH

* "The hellfire complained to Allah saying my lord, a part of me consumes my other parts, so permit me to breathe twice, a breath during the winter and during the summer.

So the severity of what you feel of heat is from its heat and the severity of what you feel of coldness is from its cold"

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RABI-UL-THANNI

All praise be to Allah the generous, the acceptor of repentance, the greatest, the vast in giving, the forgiver of sins for the one who repents, he raised up the skies without a pillar and spread the earth on moving water, He created all creations and has counted them a full counting, the one, the only with no associate, the self- sufficient master all creatures need. He has no like, purified is He and has no similitude. He is sole in greatness and exaltation. He is specials in His exaltedness and completeness. He is purified from likes and examples. Exalted is He the greatest, the highest He causes the movement of air and the clouds.

I thank him, He is the one who is thanked with all tongues, I am also grateful to him, purified and exalted in he for all His goodness. I seek his forgiveness for He is the forgiver of all sins, I seek closeness to him at times, and so glad tidings are to the one who is pure in repentance. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He no associate, a witness which saves its bearer from punishment. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (s) is this servant and messenger. The prophet of who constantly returns to his lord, the one who's speech is perfection. May Allah's everlasting solutions, abundant peace and continuous blessings be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions until the Day of Judgment.

Oh people (son of Adam), tricks, strength and youth has faded, yet we are still busy with sinning without paying heeds to punishment. People are deceived with sinning behind closed doors yet Allah sees every single move and there is no veil between you and Him. For how many times do you want to be exposing your sins? And for how many times do you keep taking pride in despised acts. For how long do you want to keep sinning whiles your life pan keeps diminishing? And for how long do you want to keep yourself busy from the hereafter. Oh destitute! Be quick in repenting from sins and shortcomings and desist from disputes with your fellow brothers in faith, avoid arrogance, ostentation and conceitedness. Cry over your soul

before you are covered with dust. It is a thorough I am by you, and you are in the mist of your family happy, while you are deceived with play, fun and happiness, and busy from the judgment day by oppression and indecency and backbit and gossips and lies with friends, Kinsmen and loved ones. Oh, son of Adam, when sickness overtakes you and your strength and tricks vanish, and all your body parts changes and then you become unable to reply to a question or a talk, and the time gets set for the throe of death to overtake you and masculine and feminine cry over you, and people say indeed so- and so is dead and the old and youth cry over you and then you are laid in your grave and covered with dust. If you are among the successful, you shall be in the care of the king the ever-forgiving but if you are among the wretched, the angles of torture and punishment will welcome you.

HADITH

❖ Baihaqi has narrated from the Holy prophet(s) that verily he(s) said: "When it is a hot day, and servant says, there is no deity except Allah, how hot is the temperatures of this day! Oh lord save me from the heat of the hell fine. Then Allah (SWT) will say to the hell fire "Indeed my servant has sought my protection from you and indeed I have saved him". And when it is a day of intense cold then a servant says there is no deity except Allah, how cold is the temperature of this day! Oh lord safeguard me from the intense coldness of hell. Then Allah (SWT) will say to hell, "Indeed my servant has sought my protection from your coldness, and indeed I have saved him". Then the companion said and what is the intense coldness of hell. Then the Holy prophet(s) said it is a trench in which a disbeliever shall be casted and he shall die due to the intense coldness of a part of it from other parts.

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTHOF JUMAD-AL ULA'

All praise be to Allah, the one, the irresistible, the greatest, the compeller, the generous, the forgiver, the knower of all entities and hidden secrets. He knows what every female carries and what is hidden in the wombs and what adds up and everything with Him is specially apportioned. He created all creatures with this power and manages all affairs with His wisdom.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, through some hours of the night and the end of the day. I seek repentance to Him before lives are brought to an end. I bear witness that there no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the one, the irresistible. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the chosen one, the specially selected one. May Allah's continuous blessing, everlasting salutation and abundant peace be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions with the continuity of day and night.

Oh people, oh sons of Adam, for how long will you continue to bear loads of sins and wrongdoing? How long will you continue sinning against your Lord while He conceals for you all you do in secret? For how long do you keep exposing sins without fearing the punishment of the hellfire? Are you not ashamed of Allah, the one, the compeller? Do you not shed tears of remorse over your own soul? Be alert and cautious before a caller calls out for the appointed moment, do you not repent to Allah from scandals? Persist in good actions, you shall be rewarded with beauty, do not forget that both the small and the big acts will be accounted for in the mist of Allah, the one, the irresistible. It is as though am by you when your soul is taken and your relatives cry over you and wail, and your grave is opened awaiting your entry, you will not be able to turn away nor run. Then two Angels will come to you for questioning about your Lord and your messenger (the custodian of glory). If you are among the lucky ones, you shall attain the desires of the hereafter, if you are among the miserable, then you shall experience the ugliest of conditions. All affairs shall be commanded by the custodian of might, either to the garden of bliss or to the hell.

HADITH

* It has narrated from Anas Ibn Malik; he said the messenger of Allah (s) has said: "verily this fire of yours (the one used for worldly affairs) is a one –seventieth section of the hellfire. Had it not been cooled twice with water; you will not have been able to make use of it"

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF JUMAD-AL ULA

All praise be to Allah who is concealed in His mightiness, so no eye can perceive Him. The All-hearing who hears the crawl of a black ant on a dead rock from a group of stones. The All-knowing who is aware of the praises of fishes in the darkness of the ocean. The forbearing who conceals the sins of sinners and covers them with all covering.

I thank Him, purified and glorified is He, for the grace that descends like drops of rain. I am grateful to Him with the gratefulness of His best of servants. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the generous, the all forgiving. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (s) is His servant and messenger, the one who is buried at the most gracious site. May Allah's continuous blessings, everlasting salutations and abundant peace be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions with the rotation of day and night.

Oh people, what is this non-mindfulness and confusion, and what is this weak mindedness and lack of thinking? Has a messenger not come to you, warning you about the punishment of the hellfire? Have you not been given a book which contains the news of the reward of those who are God-fearing and the punishment of the rebellious? I swear by Allah if you don't enjoin the doing of good and desist evil and get your mindset alert and desist from what Allah has forbidden of sins and shortcomings, Allah (SWT) will give authority to those who shall not have mercy on you in times of hardships and poverty. Don't you know that backbiting and hypocrisy are among the greatest of sins? Do you not know that disobedience to parents reduces lifespan? And that Allah despises the consumption of alcohol? Don't you that fornication and adultery lead to destitutions? And that sins get a person close to the hellfire? And that your Prophet (s) once cried a severe cry (until his beard was wet)? Then Huzaifa-bin Yaman said to him, what causes your cry oh best of creation? Then He (s) said to Huzaifa why don't I cry when a generation will come upon my nation, the practices of the religion of Islam will be rare and Muslims will neglect prayers and avoid paying the poor rate (Zakat), and will reduce scales when weighing, those in authority will be unjust and will judge with falsehood and inequity. They shall bear false witness and consume alcohol and expose homosexuality and adultery. They will give and accept usury and will love music.

Trustworthiness will be rare; mistrust will be widespread. They will show pride in their paternal and maternal linages. Voices will be raised with misunderstanding in mosques. Those who prostrate and those who bow will decline in number. The young shall not revere the elderly and elderly shall not be merciful to the young. Their speech will be filled with lies, backbiting and hypocrisy will be their fruits. When they see truth, they despise it and when they see falsehood, they follow it.

HADITH

- ❖ It has been narrated from Abi Musah al-Ash 'Ari (r.a), he said, the Holy the Prophet(s) has said: "verily Allah spreads His grace at night so that those who sin during the day shall repent. He also spreads his grace during the day so that those who sin during the night shall also repent until the sun rises from the west".
- ♣ He has also narrated that, the Holy Prophet(s) has said: "Allah has cursed the consumer of alcohol, the one who extracts it, the one who sells it, the one who carries it and the one to who it is carried to"

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF JUMAD-AD ULA'

All praise be to Allah, the king, the worshipped, the generous, the divine in His will, the creator of goodness, the one who causes water to move through woods, the one, the only, the soul, the self-sufficient, the most honorable, the ever present, He is purified from paternal or maternal relations, sons and grandparents.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, He is the most generous, the loving, I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. The witness with which it's bearer shall enter paradise and succeed with external refuge in paradise. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad(s) is His servant and messenger, the chief of mankind among the white skinned, the red and dark skinned, may Allah abundant blessings, everlasting salutations and continuous peace be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions with the sprouting of crops and leafing in plants.

Oh people, lifespan have exhausted and the sheets of deeds have turned black due to continuous sins. And the time for the journey from the vastness of this world to the narrowness of the grave has come. Do you guess that your past generation (youthful ages) shall return to you? Do you think that there shall not be a return to Allah and the ascending? And that there won't be a gathering of all creations? Do you consider that this world is an everlasting home? Nay! By Allah, you shall die and shall be questioned about your acts of worships, bowings and prostrations and there isn't a single step that you make except that there are witnesses in that. And verily you shall be made to trail the *Sirat* (a bridge) on the hellfire. The journey on the Sirat is a thousand years of continuous leveled of walking, thousand years of downward steepness and a thousand years of upward steepness. On the Sirat are angels who call out with loud voices and extended breathes saying; whoever trails the *Sirat* with good deeds, attain salvation and crosses, if not he shall fall into the hellfire which keeps burning with fuel. So do not be deceived by this world for the hereafter is the everlasting. Where are the ministers, where are the parents, where are the sons and grandparents, and the scholars and the jurists and those who bear witness. Where is Aad the son of Shaddad, where is *Yamsur* the son of Thamud, where is Karun and Haman, where is the enemies of Allah Namrod, their breaths has become non-existent (they are dead) and their bodies have been eaten by maggots.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet(s) has said: "whoever averts the difficulties of a Muslim, Allah will avail for him two sources of light and that will brighten his way on the *Sirat*. The brightness of the light is such that, it cans overwhelm a world whose magnitude is only known by Allah (SWT)"

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THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF JUMA'D AL U'LA

All praise be to Allah who is the sole in everlasting and concealed from eyesight, the forbearing who does not hesitate the punishment of sinners and does not expose shortcomings. The All-knowing who the action of all entities and concealed secretes and are not hiding from.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, the king, the powerful. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the witness which makes it bearer among the chosen ones. I also bear witness that verily our master Prophet Muhammad is His servant and messenger. He is a Prophet whom Allah has strengthen him with the *Muhajirin* and *Ansar*. May Allah's everlasting blessings, abundant peace and continuous salutations be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions with the brightness of the day and the darkness of the night.

Oh people, prepare for the journey of the hereafter, indeed lifespans are almost ending. And furnish yourselves before remorse and the despised and before you stand before your Lord, the one, the powerful on the day when there won't be a penny nor a note. And avoid the greater sins for indeed they are the ugliest of shortcomings. And make the remaining years of your lives beneficial and do not be deceived by the wait. Take lessons from the lives of those who lived before you for it is the ultimate form of been sensual. How unlucky is the one whose evil deeds bring him to the hellfire? And great will be the misfortune of the one who is violent and persist on sinning. And how great will be the punishment of the one who persists on sinning after being admonished. Oh, you who has be deceived and is calmed with desire, to which home do you desire to end up in the hereafter. Desist from hard heartedness, for verily, Allah punish the hard hearted with the hellfire. Oh youth, worship your lord and do not follow money. Oh, elderly person does not burn your grey hair with fire. Oh, you who judges among people, be careful with that which angers the almighty, for you will put yourself to shame on the day when eyesight shall be fixedly open.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (s): "The legs of an individual will not move an inch on the day of resurrection until he is asked on four things: About his life how he lived it, and his body how he managed it, and his deeds, what he performed and his wealth where he obtained it and how he used it"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF JUMAD-AL THANI

All praise be to Allah who created all creatures, the originator of the heavens and the earth, the provider of sustenance, birds glorify Him in their nests and angels show gratitude to Him throughout the universe. So glorified is He, the greatest the sustainer. His treasures do not run out even with massive giving to His servants.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, for thanksgiving to Him brings blessing and sustenance. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah the only, He has no associate, the king, the ultimate in creating. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (s) is His servant and messenger, the chief of all the Arabs and the non-Arabs. May Allah's everlasting salutations, continuous peace and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions until the day of the mutual meeting.

Oh people, I enjoin you to be careful of your duty to Allah for that brings about the trust of the Lord of creations. I desist you from all forms of evil and from the swearer of divorce. I also warn you against swearing to perform an evil act for it drives away sustenance. Imam Malik Ibn Anas, the narrator and commentator of prophetic traditions use to discipline those who swear to divorce their wives or free their slaves. For verily swearing by that is an innovation, it is the oath of the transgressors. Whoever swears with something other than Allah, has glorified that thing and whoever glorifies something other than Allah is considered among the hypocrites. Taking an oath in the name of Allah has a ransom but there is no ransom for an oath of divorce except separation. Whoever breaks an oath of divorce and then enters upon his wife while deeming her lawful, has become a disbeliever from ten different angles generally agreed upon. Firstly, He has opposed his Lord's command of prohibiting an Oath of divorce, secondly, he has acted against the book of Allah and the traditions of the Holy Prophet (s) and whoever opposes the two has no portion of goodness in the hereafter. Thirdly, he has breached trust and has also breeched an oath of promise. Fourthly, he believes the woman he divorced is still his wife whiles she is not his wife. Fifthly, he also believes that the children born from that woman after his oath of divorce are his children while they are children of adultery and hypocrisy. Moreover, he will give inheritance to the one who has no share of inheritance and does not deserve it. Again, his children will be among the wretched on the

Day of Judgment and they shall say oh our Lord what is our sin? Whiles they seek safety from their father. Again, when he committed that sin the pen which reward good deeds is taken from his scribe until the Day of Judgment. He shall be summoned among the dwellers of the deepest level of the hellfire, the hypocrites. He will not also be granted intercession and shall be subjected to intense difficulty. So therefore, may Allah be pleased with you, be among those who practice the Sunnah you shall be raised among those who fulfill their oath in the name of Allah and do not breech their promises.

HADITH

❖ The Holy prophet (s) was told about a man who divorced his wife three times in a single attempt. He raised among the companions whiles angry and said: "Do you play with the book of Allah whiles I am still among you".

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF JUMAD AL-THAINI

All praise be to Allah who for His greatness, the mountain crumbled and for whose might foreheads prostrate. The all-knowing who is aware of the deepest knowledge of all circumstances. And He knows the actuality of what a servant hides and conceals. The vast in giving who gives to those who obey Him and those who disobey.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, with a thanksgiving which has no limit. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, He has no associate. He is the worshipped Lord in the heavens and the Lord on earth. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. The most sublime of all creatures and the greatest among them in might and honor. May Allah's everlasting peace, abundant blessings and incessant salutations be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions, a salutation which harbors success and salvation for the one who says it until the day of resurrection.

Oh people, it is as through you are sleeping, when are you waking from your sleep, while within the shortest time you shall be among the dead. Blessed be the one who has decreed death and life. Oh, you who hides from men whiles Allah is watchful over you, how will you

find yourself when men rise from their graves naked and barefooted. That is a great day when a person shall be remorseful of what his hands have creep. And shall call out saying how disgraceful, how miserable he has been that he has neglected his duty to Allah. And know Oh servants of Allah that; verily whoever misses the Friday prayers without an excuse shall be despised by Allah. And whoever speaks of the dignity of his follow brother in faith with words that are not pleasing shall face Allah. And the one who does not pay the poor rate shall be held by Allah on the bridge of the hellfire. And whoever fornicates shall be made destitute by Allah. The consumer of wine, the bearer of a false witness, the one who has angered his parents and the one who kills an innocent soul shall not be considered and not be purified by Allah. This is what narrators have narrated.

HADITH

❖ Ibn Asa'kir has narrated from a man among the companions; "Avoid seven dreadful behaviors; Making an associate in worshipping Allah, sorcery, killing an innocent soul that Allah has forbid except with a right, consumption of usury, consuming the wealth of orphans, running away from an encounter of battle with disbelievers and slandering virtuous unknowing believing women".

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF JUMA'D-AD THANI

All praise be to Allah who descended the book to His servant and made it the seal of the four books and has made clear in it the lawful and the unlawful and the light of the Lord in it (the book) enlightens. He honors and graces, enriches and holds forth, elevates and abases, provides and prevents, creates and sustains, shapes His servant and originates them. He manifested His glory to the mountain and it crumbled and torn apart out of His might. So purified is the lord who accepts the repentance of the sinner when he repents and returns and calls out and abases.

I thank him, for what He has availed and provided to us of His grace, I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the witness which salvages its bearer on the day when sons will be of no use. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, a prophet who will be told on the day of judgment; request you shall be granted and intercede, your intercession is accepted. May Allah's abundant blessings, everlasting salutations and continuous peace be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions until the day of resurrection.

Oh people, son of Adam, how great are the sins and shortcomings you pile! And you do not satisfy with oppressions and consumptions of the forbidden. You do not avoid yourselves from the unclear affairs whiles you keep hearing admonitions. Your heart is harder than an iron and robust than a rock for verily some metals can be made soft and some rocks do split apart. Oh, you who is busy with worldly affairs and constantly performs the despised actions, oh you who is reluctantly sinful, do you not hear the words of your lord? Oh, you who has been soaked in sins by desires, do you not have a tearful eye? Oh, you who has lost the permanent grace, do you not have a fearful heart? Nay! That which ends happiness will come to you and you will not be able to repulse. You will be alone in your grave with your deeds. Inevitably, there will be questioning by the two angels in the grave and there is a massive terror upon sighting them. So, the grave is either a trench from the trenches of the hellfire where intestines are cut into pieces or a garden among the gardens of paradise where souls experience bliss. Then, there will be resurrection for judgment on a day when wealth will be useless, cries and wails will be intense and creatures will be in fear due to terror. Then, the chosen one (Prophet Muhammad) among the prophets will appear. He will prostrate beneath the mighty throne of Allah in humbleness. Allah will call out "request oh, Muhammad" you shall be granted and seek intercession your intercession is accepted. So, the Prophet (S) will intercede for creations, so your salutations for him will be very useful.

HADITH

* At-Tabaraniyy has narrated from Ibn Abbas (r.a) the Holy Prophet (S) has said: "When you pass by the gardens of paradise enjoy yourselves and seek comfort". It was said, oh messenger of Allah what are the gardens of paradise? He said "Mosques" and it was said and what is meant by the self-enjoyment? He said "Subhallah, wa Alhamdulillah, wa la ilaha ill-Allah wa Allahu Akbar wa la hawla wa la kuwwata ila bi-Allahi al aliyyi al Azeem"

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF JUMA'D-A-THANI

All praise be to Allah who has made piety a cloth for the righteous. So, they take provisions for the next life by way of obedience and have stood alert waiting for the appointed time of judgment. Allah has made them special among His servants and has made them listen to the sweetness of His speech. And has made them succeed in observing the Friday prayers and praying in congregation. He has bought the souls and the properties of the believers, that they shall have the garden, the most glorious merchandise.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He with the thanksgiving of the content and the satisfied ones. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. A witness which will salvage its bearer from the fears of the hereafter. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (s) is His servant and messenger. He is the one whose miracles where exposed when he was carried in the womb and when he was breastfed. May Allah's abundant peace, continuous blessings and everlasting salutations be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions until the day of resurrection.

Oh people, verily the end time is due, and the time for making provisions for the hereafter has arrived. The truthful promise is near and so what is this leniency and time wastage, are your eyes blind of what is right? On several occasions you have heard admonition every Fridays yet you do not turn to Allah and you do not repent. Have you not seen that the signs of the hereafter are exposed one after the other? And the signs of the sure calamity are very expose and not hidden. Has corruption not appeared on the land and on the sea and everywhere, misery has overpowered follower of desire, prayers have been disregarded though it is the pillar of the religion of Islam. Paying the poor rate (Zakat) has been avoided and people now do not have a leader. The killing of innocent souls has become common among people. Bearers of witness are bearing false witness and scholars are selling knowledge just for beneficiation (make their lives better) and some people aid others on falsehood and destruction. And we are aware of Allah but do not obey His commands and are aware of the messenger of Allah but do not follow his teachings. You are aware of Shaitan (the cursed) your enemy but you obey him. The despised behaviors are no longer despised and the forbidden acts are now exposed and embraced. Fornication is now common among people.

Bribery is also common in the judiciary; judges make false judgment whiles they aware due to bribery. Falsehood is embraced and supported whiles truth is despised. The ignorant are giving attention whiles scholars are rejected and insulted, bear drinking spots are kept lively while mosques are kept empty. Indeed, people are opposing the commands of Allah and are making life difficult for the poor. And now the one who is steadfast in his religion is like He who has held an ember of fire.

HADTH

The Holy Prophet(s) has said: "Resurrection will not occur until a part of my nation is collapsed". Then the companions asked when that will happen, He said "when they consume alcohol, and wear costumes of silk and take singing slave girls, and men copulate with men and women copulate with women"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAJAB

All praise be to Allah whose knowledge encompasses everything, and knows the exact number of all entities. He has honored the month of Rajab and has obligated the glorification of this month on us, so it is compulsory. This month is the month of Allah, the most purified and presented it to humans. Allah has honored this month during the era of ignorance (pre-Islamic era) and during the Islamic era. Whoever fast for ten days in this month, Allah makes him among the successful. Purified is He who has graced his servant with this month and has spread the bounties in this month with honor and vast giving. Whoever strives in this month shall attain success and will be among the victorious on the day of resurrection.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, for His grace. I am grateful to Him for what He has provided us of sustenance and for His honor. And I seek His forgiveness from the great sins and short comings. I repent to Him, and put my absolute trust in Him and depend solely on Him. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associates, no opponents and no likes, He has no minister or a helper, He is glorified and exalted, He has no wife nor a son. I also bear witness that verily our master prophet Muhammad is His servant and messenger. A Prophet who has brought us clear proofs and guidance. May Allah's

abundant peace, incessant salutation and everlasting blessings be upon him, his purified households, and truthful companions until the end of time.

Oh people, oh servants of Allah, I enjoin you to be careful of your duty to Allah, the king of the universe. And I desist you and I from the consumption of haram (forbidden) and I also warn you from committing sins so that you gain goodness and guidance. Increase your day of fasting in this month and stand in the darkness of the night with prayers while people are asleep. And feed the destitute with your food, spread peace among yourselves. Glad tidings are for the one who strives with acts of worship in this month. It is not time for the dry eyelid to shear tears? And for the deaf ear to listen and for the hard heart to fear Allah? Is it not time for the believers that their hearts may be frightened for the remembrance of Allah, before death meets them? And they will not find an aid on death. Oh you, your lifespan closes while you are procrastinating repentance. Whenever a time comes upon you, you promise to repent in the future. Don't you know that Rajab is the first of the honorable months? Allah has made Rajab a period of abundant flow of blessings. When it is Rajab, you procrastinate your repentance to Shaban. And when it is Shaban, you say, I will repent in Ramadan while majority of your days and time are gone. However, you are steadfast on sinning with a persistent steadfast. So, oh you reader, wake up with what you read. Oh, you scholar, seek closeness to Allah (S.W.T) with your knowledge. Those who forge lies and evil should avoid their forges before creatures shall stand before Allah for judgment.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (s) said: "verily in paradise there is a stream called Rajab. Its water is brighter and white than milk and it is sweeter than honey. Whoever fast for three days in the month of Rajab, Allah will water him from that stream".

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAJAB

All praise be to Allah who gives respite to the one who sins, and when that servant asks Him for his bounties, He grants him. He is concealed from eyesight in this world that no eye sees Him. He is the one who has made paradise ready for the one who is careful of his duties to Him and has made the hellfire ready for the sinner. He has created creatures for the two abodes whiles they were in the loins of their fathers, so there is no one who can change what Allah has created and what He has decreed. Whoever depends on Him, shall find Him sufficient and whoever surrenders his affairs to Allah, He leads and guides him.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He in His supremeness, I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, He is a lord who is dissociated from all things in like. I also bear witness that verily our master and prophet Muhammad (s) is His servant and messenger. He is the one who Allah has chosen and appointed. May Allah's everlasting blessings, abundant salutations and incessant peace be upon this honorable Prophet and a messenger who leads the greatest linage, the one who is attributed with a merciful heart, our leader Prophet Muhammad (s), his purified households and truthful companions until the day of meeting Him.

Oh people, (son of Adam), do not be deceived by what you see for lifespans are coming to an end at a very fast pace. And this world is not external for anyone. And no one has ever attained his absolute desire in this world. And so why this laziness on praying at appropriate times, don't you fear Allah? Have you not heard a tradition from the leader of men (s) that he said "the difference between a Muslim and a disbeliever is prayers?" don't you know that whoever kills someone who does not pay heeds to prayers gets closer to Allah? When the one who is neglectful of prayers seeks your daughter's hand in marriage, do not grant him and do not help him or his wishes. Any town which seeks blessings in its cropping, animals, trade and children should exile anyone who is neglectful of prayers. When the one is neglectful of prayers dies and is buried, fire is ignited in his grave and he shouts out in agony and afterwards, there shall come to him a serpent called *Shuja*, its eyeballs are like flames of fire blazing and its voice is like a tender or more threatening. This serpent shall bear a huge stick of iron, such that, had it been stricken against a huge mountain, it would have crumbled due to the massiveness of the hit. Where are the rulers and their ministers? Where are their soldiers and forces? Where are the oppressors of mankind? Where are those who consume the wealth of orphans? Where are those who sin and think that Allah has let go and forget their sins? By Allah, He has not forgotten it, but has given them respite until the day they meet Him.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet(s) has said "verily prayers are answers in Rajab, Oh Lord bestow mercy on us from yourself and facilitate for us our affairs in the right way".

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAJAB

All praise be to Allah, the All-knowing, the vast in giving, the creator of all of creations, He causes the might to overtake the day, He causes water to flow through inanimate rocks, He causes daybreak and makes the sun, the moon and the oceans subservient. He forgives sins and accepts repentance and is severe in punishment. Purified is He, he has glorified the month of Rajab by His grace and has descended mercy in it. Trade in this month is among the strongest way to glory, to Him I pray and to Him is the return. He apportioned sustenance and has placed equity between His servants by means of death among slaves and free men. He admits to paradise that He wish and admits to the hellfire who He wishes. So, we ask Him for repentance by His grace before the occurrence of punishment.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He, He is the most honorable, the acceptor of repentance, I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate; He is the king, the vast in giving. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger; the prophet of those who constantly surrender their affair to Allah, may Allah's continuous blessings, abundant salutations and incessant peace be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions equal the amount of dust and soil until the day of resurrection.

Oh people, repent to Allah before your death, verily Allah accepts the repentance of the one who repents. And be remorseful for your laziness in doing good deeds. For indeed the remorseful ones in this world (by changing their evil deeds) are successful. And reduce your burden (of sins) for the happy is the one who reduce his burdens. And have mercy on creations for the glorious ones are those who have mercy. And trade in the market of charity, obedience to your Lord and goodness. Lifespan are closer while your sheets of deeds are darkened by

sins. And the moment for the journey from this vast world to the slimness of the grave has come. Only a few moments remain for the resurrection and the gathering. And a caller shall call out saying 'oh servants of Allah get set for the Day of Judgment, lifespans have ended whiles your good deeds are few. Your sins are bulge but you have unending aspiration. You have been admonished day and night and this is the moment without escape. But you indeed have forgotten of the grave and the *Sirat* and judgment. How disgraceful is the one who has wasted his age without a benefit. How unfortunate is the one who embarks on a long journey without provisions. How wasteful is the one whose actions are based on mischief and does not strive for the success of his soul from punishment. By Allah, the time for people to bear the loads of their evils on their backs is close and to slip and end up in hellfire. The glorious is he who is obedience to Allah and saves himself from punishment.

HADITH

* Hakim has narrated an authentic tradition in his *Mustadrak* from Anas Ibn Malik, he said the messenger of Allah (s) has said; "whoever fasts for three days in the month of Rajab; Thursday, Friday, and Saturday is rewarded by Allah with the reward of nine hundred years of worship"

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAJAB

All praise be to Allah who has commended piety and offered guardianship, and has encompassed all things in His knowledge and has computed everything pertaining to creation. He created man in the best of make. No reduction or incongruity can be seen in His (the merciful) creation. He has honored the nation of prophet Muhammad (S.AW) overall nations as stated in the holy Quran. He made his servant to embark on a night journey from the sacred mosque to the remote mosque.

I thank him, purified and exalted is He, with the thanks giving that are peculiar to him. I also bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, he has no associate and has no like and has no similitudes, the witness of a servant who is not extravagant nor sinful. I also bear witness that our master and prophet Mohammed (S) is His servant and messenger, he is

the messenger who is special with the greatest intercession. May Allah's abundant salutations, everlasting blessings and incessant peace be upon this prophet of honor and the leader of all lineages of creation, our master prophet Mohammed (S), his purified households and truthful companions who by virtue of companionship have attained a glory which cannot be numbered nor computed.

Oh, people there has come to you an admonition from your lord and a healing for the heart and that is the night journey of your prophet as stated in the Holy Quran. He is not partnered in the honor of this journey by any associate, woe be unto he who does not believe in the journey and is disobedient to the prophet and down plays and neglects his Sunnah. Indeed, he (s) saw on the night he embarked on the journey the greatest signs of his lord, so Allah chose him and honored him over all creation. He reached a place where he heard the squeaks of the pen (Al- Qalam) recording the change of affairs by the command of Allah (the king the vast in knowledge). He entered the garden of resort and reached the farthest lote-tree. So, he was the measure of two bows (of an arrow) or closer. Purified is He who drew him closer. In that journey Allah obligated fifty daily prayers on this nation and made it a pillar of his religion. The prophet persisted in returning to his lord for the sake of his nation until the fifty was made five. So, be careful of your duties to Allah, oh servants of Allah and think about what the Holy prophet has laid off from us of difficulty. And attend constantly to prayers, may Allah have mercy on you, and persist in doing good for the best of your deeds is the Salat. And observe humbleness in prayers for verily Allah does not accept the prayers of the one whose heart is forgetful and does not observe humbleness in prayers. Verily I fear for myself and for you that you will be among those said in their regard a statement which admonishes every lively heart, but there came an evil generation who neglected prayers and followed sensual desire, so they will meet perdition.

HADITH

❖ The holy prophet(s) has said: "prayer is the pillar (mainstay) of this religion (Islam). So, whoever establishes it has established his religion and whoever neglects the prayer has crumbled his religion"

THE FIRST SERMON IN THE MONTH OF SHÅBAN

All Praise be to Allah who cannot be perceived by the eyes and cannot be comprehended by thoughts and cannot be met by the evil accidents of time. The grandiosity of the knowledgeable strays from His being, His ever-existence perplexes famous thinkers. Where He was, how came into existence, when He existed and where He will be, cannot be known. I thank Him, glorious and exalted is He, I seek His forgiveness and I am grateful for His favors, verily the grateful ones have attained success by means of been grateful. I bear witness that, there is no one worthy of being worshipped except Allah, He has no associate. He is the knowledgeable of what is to occur before its occurrence. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad(S) is His servant and messenger. A prophet by whose virtue all prophets and messengers attained might. May Allah everlasting blessings, abundant peace and incessant salutations be upon him, his households and companions until the day of resurrection.

Oh mankind, servant of Allah, very death is inevitable rite of passage which will be observed by both kings and subjects, as well as the knowledgeable and the ignorant. The dwellers of heaven and the earth shall be equal in this affair (death). Allah will look at heavens while it will be empty of its dwellers and the earth while it has fallen down upon its roof and all creatures shall be knocked down completely in their graves, and there shall be no one except Allah, the only, the worshipped. And Allah, our creator, the king, the supreme, will call out saying "To whom belongs the kingdom this day?" To Allah, the one, the subduer of all. Then Allah will command *Israfeel* to scream to the universe and it shall be scattered and all the stars shall be interspersed and wiped. Therefore, men of understanding, think about this action of your lord, the severe in requiting evil. Then all graves shall be as though tents with domes that have been raised. Its pillars as dome that have been knotted. Beneath the graves are kings, leaders, wealthy and poor men. When Allah intend to raise and gather their first and last, at that moment, the graves will rend asunder, the young and the old will rise. When they stand before Allah and the truth gets established, some faces will be filled with brightness whiles others will be completely overwhelmed with darkness. That is the day when children will develop grey hairs. Slaves and free men shall all be equal in rank on this day, and Allah the everlasting and

self-subsisting will manifest His glory, and the oppressors shall be separated from the oppressed.

HADITH

❖ It is narrated from the messenger of Allah (S), verily he said: "Rajab is the month of Allah, and Allah has glorified it over other months like how I am glorified above all His creatures. And Shaban is my month. Allah has glorified it over other months like how am glorified above all prophets. Ramadan is the month of my nation; Allah has glorified it over other months like how am glorified above all nations".

THE SECOND MONTH SERMON IN THE MONTH OF SHÅBAN

All praise be to Allah, the king, the one who judges between His servants, the gracious (the honorable), the beneficent, the merciful, the creator of mankind and the jinn. He remembers those who remember Him and appreciates those who are grateful to Him. The helper to those who are helpful to His religion. The forgiver of those who seek His forgiveness. The one who manifolds goodness in the month of Shaban.

I thank Him with an everlasting thankfulness. And I am grateful for His goodness and favors. I repent to Him from all sins and shortcomings. I seek his forgiveness from every sin I have committed deliberately and out of forgetfulness. I bear witness that, there is no one worthy of being worshiped except Allah, He has no associate, the king and the Just. I also bear witness that, indeed our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His slave and messenger. The chief of the linage of Adnan. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companion through the passage of nights and generations.

Oh people, indeed you know that verily death is near, and Allah is watchful over all actions. So why are you procrastinating repentance while your lifetimes are been wasted and you are also wondering in negligence and vanity. For many times you have been admonished yet you take them for nothing. Think about the life of your predecessor who were your family members

and neighbors. Don't you think about the change in affairs, situations and generations? Indeed, those before you have been deceived by being over occupy with children and wealth. They hoped greatly in fulfilling worldly affairs until their lifetimes overtook them and they tasted death. And everyone in this world will pass away. And know that indeed the month of Shaban has shaded you with its honorable days, so grace it with at least three days of fasting and feed the poor, the needy and orphans. Repent to Allah, for He shall forgive your sins and shortcomings. And do not be deceived by this worthless world which you will be leaving in a short time, for it is a perishing world which finishes at a very fast pace. And perform acts of good deeds before the hereafter. And do not follow the footsteps of the cursed Shaitan. And know that indeed day and night bring close every far thing as they pass by and death is close to anyone of you than his jugular vein. And that the punishment of the hellfire gets severe every day. And that the sinner, if he does not repent will meet Allah whiles He is angry with him. Where are those who ruled the world before you and amassed wealth? And skewed towards the love of this world more than you are. But they did not obtain anything in this world except *Kafan*.

HADITH

The Holy prophet (S) has said: "Whoever fast for three days in Shaban, Allah will make him ride on a camel from the camels of paradise. He will be ridden on the camel until he enters paradise or as it was narrated"

THE THIRD SERMON IN THE MONTH OF SHÅBAN

All praise be to Allah, the kind, the Beneficent, the one who keeps latent the deficiency of his servants, the forgiver of sins for those who seek His forgiveness from sins and rebellion. The creator of all creatures. He is self-sufficient of any advisor and of help, He brought you forth from the wombs of your mothers – you did not know anything and made for you the ears, the eyes and the heart. His kindness is an immemorial one. He brought forth everything with his knowledge and shaped them with His control and decree. There is no single thing but glorifies Him with His praise. He is the most glorified who is being glorified by all tongue.

I thank Him, manifest and latent forms of thanks are all for Him. I bear witness that there is nothing worthy of been worship except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the beneficent, the merciful. I also bear witness that indeed our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is his servant and messenger, the leader of the linage of Adam for both the present and the past. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions at every time and season.

Oh, servants of Allah, where are the fathers and sons and mothers and brothers? Where is Namrod? Where is Shaddad Ibn Aad? Where is Fir 'awn and Haman, where are those who rule this world before you. Where is the kingdom of Suleiman? They have preceded with their lives and the ruler of this world has brought their reigns to an end. These occurrences should be enough to make you change your ways whether asleep or awaked. If not inactiveness and forgetfulness, this issue should be very clear to you. Your life is wasted in piling up evil deeds whiles you have not earned anything of good deeds. You are relaxed in desperation while others have benefit by success, majesty and existence. You are losing by means of destruction and deprivation. Have not been awaken from your sleep by the percussions of time and not disturbed by the death of your close relatives, family members and neighbors? They were more desirous but could leave this world only with cotton and Kafan. Successful are those who fear Allah, the ascetic and the sincere worshipers are on their way towards the highest of ranks and stations. They perform good deeds and their payback shall be good rewards and more. Is the reward of goodness aught nothing but goodness? So therefore, oh servants of Allah, I enjoin to fear Allah, for verily with that, you will enter the gardens of paradise. I also encourage you to desist from evil, because with evil comes the punishment of the hellfire. So, oh people, seekers of good are toiling to obtain it while you are in complete relaxation. Nothing remains except when you shall stand before Allah barefooted and naked on a day when hairs shall turn grey including that of children.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Life spans are decreed from Shaban to Shaban to the extent that verily a man gets married and gives birth while his name has been expelled from the dead"

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "wherever keeps lively the eve of *Eid* and the eve of mid Shaban; his heart shall not die on the day hearts will die"

THE FORTH SERMON IN THE MONTH OF SHÅBAN

All praise be to Allah who deserves praises. It is His right indeed to be praised. He is the one, the only, and the deity. Anyone apart from Him does not have the right to be worshiped. He brought forth existence from non-existence without an example or a sample to follow. He is purified, glorified is He in His might, from all things that do not cling to His perfection. So, prediction is to whoever denies and repudiates. His affairs are majestic, his bestowals are massive, His treasures and bounties never run out. His might is immemorial, His greatness is everlasting, and His existence is everlasting and incessant.

I praise Him, glorified and mighty is He, He is the most deserving to be praise. I bear witness that there is no one worthy to be worshiped except Allah, the only, He has no associate. I bear an everlasting witness to that. I also bear witness that, indeed our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is a prophet who is better in knowledge and Godliness than anyone upon whom the sun has shined. May Allah's everlasting peace, continuous salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions. With this we hope to be salvaged and be among the successful on the day of recompense.

Oh, servants of Allah, what are you requesting and hoping for in this world whiles your hearts have been lifted with lies and grief? And what do you solicit on the promise of payback, "a person will be paid back based on his deeds". How do you despise tribulations whiles there is no evil which befalls a people except for what their hands have earned of evil deeds. Or how do you seek distancing yourselves from agonies whiles you have witnessed the signs of the hereafter with your eyes. The issue of the hereafter has indeed manifested latently and openly, whiles I do not see in your hearts a sign or an idea of that. And know that indeed you have past the tenth century and those before you were very cautions of it. During the 10th century, the forbidden shall be expressed openly, wrong doings shall also be wide spread, oppressions shall

spread both on the land and the sea and justice shall be very difficult to obtain, good deeds will be despised, the prayers shall be offered in a playful manner, hajj shall become merchandise, wealth shall become an exultation, destitution shall also be seen as disbeliefs, ostentation shall be common, blood shall be shed unjustly, surely the underground will be better than the earth surface. There are many rights that you have oppressed and did not pay it back as a sign of been thankful, and many prayers too you have looked down upon; Isha and Fajr, Zuhr and Asr, and many an oppressed person inquired for your help but you did not offer any good. How does he who hopes for salvation not repulsed agony from an oppressed.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The month of Shaban said to Allah, oh my lord, you have placed me between two sacred months, so what have you made sacred of me.

Then Allah said, I have place in you the recitation of the Holy Quran"

THE FITH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SHA'BAN

All praise be to Allah who brought forth existence with His wisdom. He makes lively the dead, with His power and greatness. So, praise be to the Lord who hears the motion of a fetus in its mother's womb. And He knows the flow of the waves of deep oceans. And He also sees the hidden creeps of ants on a dead dark rock.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, for the persistent grace. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, the Lord of humanity. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad(s) is His servant and messenger, the leader of the lucky ones. May Allah's everlasting blessings, abundant salutations and continuous peace be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions until the day of gathering.

Servants of Allah, how do you get pleased with this world whiles the prophet has departed. And what has caused your reluctance, hardheartedness and forgetfulness, where are those before you, fathers, sons and mothers. Do you see how graves are dug beneath the earth surface,

have you forgotten about the destroyer of happiness, and the separator of crowds and that which makes children orphans. By Allah and again By Allah, verily death has a stupor, and the grave has darkness, *Munkar* and *Nakir* indeed have objects of torture, and verily the *Sirat* is slippery. On the day when an oppressor shall be called forth and the oppressed shall be made to stand for judgment and the angel in-charge of the hellfire shall be told to give all criminals their ugly sheets of deeds, the day when a caller shall call out from his Lord saying "Oh fire, take hold of any criminal who was rebellious and an oppressed and committed sins publicly and oppressed the weak and violated the sacred and made lawful the forbidden. Oh, fire multiple for them pain and tie their firelocks to their feet". Many a times the Holy Quran admonishes, are you dump to the warnings or it is that your ears are deaf. Indeed, your feet have slipped and verily Allah has decreed your fates.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet(S) has said: "Fast upon sighting the crescent and break your fast upon sighting it. But if the crescent is hidden from you, then complete the thirty-day count for the month of Sha'ban"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAMADAN

All praise be to Allah who revealed the Holy Quran in the month of Ramadan, so the month become glorified by the revelation, and He made goodness plentiful in this month. In it, the doors of paradise are opened and that of the hellfire are closed. He made the month complete by the aforementioned and made it easy and also completed His favors in this month. He has expanded His bounties and goodness for His servants and bestowed them with His forgiveness in this month. He championed the glory of the month of Ramadan on all other months by shackling every rebellious and the Shaitan.

I thank Him, glorified and exalted is He, for all His goodness. I bear witness that there is no one worthy of worship except Allah, He has no associate, a witness that salvages its bearer from the hellfire. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His

servant and messenger, He is the chief of the linage of Adnan. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions at all time and seasons.

Oh mankind, verily the month of Shaban has passed by, is there anyone among you who has made provisions in it with obedience to Allah and entrusted it? The month of Ramadan has overtaken the month of Shaban. Is there anyone who is willing to remove and expel disobedience and sins from his heart? Now surely, the month of Ramadan is an honorable one, amazing is how goodness has been multiplied and expanded in it. It is a month in which deeds are accepted and aspirations are achieved, conditions are bettered, the mercy of Allah coupled with forgiveness are vastly expanded. In this month, the gates of heaven are wide opened whiles that of the hellfire are closed. Allah provides the demands of His servants and forgives them. Every obeying individual is provided with sustenance, grace and vast giving. It is a month in which Allah purifies the bodies of His servants and enlightens the universe. He revealed in it the Holy Quran. He spouted the flow of blessings and beauties and made available to all. The blessings, beauties and grace of this month in this world and the hereafter cannot be encompassed. So blessed is he who hoards good deeds in this month and also fast purposely for the pleasure of the lord of Glory and also accompanied his vigil prayers with constant supplications. And made provisions of good deeds and entrusted. How frightening is he who has been deceived by this world to pill up and gather what is forbidden in it and does nothing until death comes unexpectedly and overtakes him. He will not be able to repel death irrespective of his strength. When this happens all his deeds will be sealed and not even an atom weight of deed will be let go. So, whoever does good deeds, Allah becomes pleased with him and makes paradise his abode. And whoever performs evil deeds; Allah becomes displeased with him and brings him down to the dreadful fire.

HADITH

* Nåfi Narrated from Ibn Umar: The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "When the crescent of month of Ramadan exposes, the Arsh and the Kursiyy and all that which is beneath them call out saying; Blessed is the nation of Prophet Muhammad (S) for what has been availed to them from Allah of dignity. The sun, the moon, the stars, day and night,

birds, fishes and every entity with a soul except Shaitan seek forgiveness for them. When it is down, Allah does not leave a servant from this nation except that He forgives him of his sins. Then Allah the exalted will say: "Oh, my angels, make the reward of your fasting and glorifications in this month avail to the nation of Prophet Muhammad (S)"

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAMADAN

All Praise be to Allah, who made the month of Ramadan the chief of all months, He sent down in it the Holy Quran just like how he revealed the Torah and the *Injeel* and Zabur, He also opened all the doors of paradise in it. He also made ready all what is in paradise of His blessings, and children that abode it and the castles. He closed all the doors of hell for believers but has made the hellfire an abode for every worshiper of idols and the ungrateful. He made fasting obligatory in this month and multiplied by many folds His reward for the one who fast. He also glorified the night prayers in this month and ordained an incomprehensive reward for it.

I thank Him for He is the most deserving to be thanked and the most glorified to be gratified. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, a witness by virtue of which Allah will expand our breasts. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. The closest of all prophets to Allah, to extent that he was overwhelmed with illumination. May Allah's everlasting peace, continuous salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions throughout the passage of days and generation.

Oh, servants of Allah, verily this this a month of intense blessings and bliss. It is a month in which Allah has multiplied and intensified rewards for good deeds for He is bountiful in giving. It is also a month in which prayers are answered. Paradise is door-opened, repentance is accepted for all those who sincerely repent. And gains by means of merchandise do not perish. Blessed is the one who fasts in it ideally and enjoyment is for the one who observes night prayers in this month ideally. Bliss and happiness are for the one who worship sincerely in this month for the sake of the most glorified king. Verily, He is most forgiving and most

grateful. Be cautious of Allah Oh servant of Allah, I enjoin you to increase every act of obedience and I forbid you from destroying the rewards of your fast by backbiting, gossiping and false statements. For many a hungry fasting person is a sinning one, He leaves his body in hunger whiles he will be held responsible for sinning. Many a person prolongs the night prayers but shall not be rewarded. Oh, you who breaks you fast with a haram sustenance with what do you think the *Iftar* and the *Sahur* be from? Oh, you what is negligent of obedience to Allah, what do you seek with your negligence and Luke warmness. Oh, you who is wandered by desires do you not fear the darkness of the grave? Oh, you who performs acts of innovation and disobedience, do you not know that verily Allah is envious? Oh, you who is skewed towards the happiness of this world, this world is but a diminishing bliss. Oh, you who swerves from the path of righteousness, when do you seek guidance before the day of the gathering

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) said in some of his sermons; "Whoever provides for a fasting person to break his fast, he earns by that action; forgiveness for his sins, and emancipation from the hellfire. Whoever waters a fasting person, Allah shall make him drink from His fountain on the Day of Judgment after which he shall not feel thirst until he enters paradise. And he will be rewarded like the one who has freed a slave"

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAMADAN

All praise be to Allah who made the month of Ramadan on all other months a chief. He completed rejoice and pride in this month by making mercy and goodness bountiful as though it were a flowing spring. And He revealed in it the Holy Quran which is an admonition, a cure for what is in the heart and a guidance.

I thank Him, glorious and exalted is He, I seek His repentance and lean and entrust all my affairs to Him. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, He is magnified and exalted, He has no partner nor a child. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, a prophet who has brought

us clear proof and guidance. May Allah's everlasting peace and blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions incessantly until the end of time.

Oh, servants of Allah, whoever stresses his soul on the obedience of Allah has indeed giving it ease and comfort. And whoever restricts his soul on acts of obedience and avoids the forbidden acts has indeed liberated his soul. Whoever desires to gain entry into paradise must repent, because repentance in this month is a gateway to paradise. Therefore, be weary of Allah oh servant of Allah and repent to Him, for Allah, the exalted knows what you persist on. This is a month of fasting, and a month of night vigil, this is the month of the king, the absolute in knowledge. This is a month of alms-giving and charity and establishing family ties. This is a moth of reviewing the poor and the orphans, this is a month of feeding the less privilege with food and disclosing *salaam* abundantly. This is a month of reciting the Holy Quran incessantly, this is a month in which Allah has opened the doors of paradise and that of the hellfire has been closed. This is a month Allah has purified the bodies of His servants and enlightens the universe and also rewards with immense goodness.

Oh you, what kind of fasting are you observing, the one who eats the flesh of his brother by backbiting and gossiping. Or how does he pray, such a person whose heart is at a place whiles his body is at another. And how is the alms-giving of the one whose earnings are haram. At this very moment he tries to cover his evil, whiles he is completely naked. It the truth that I tell you through truth is unpleasant to the ear and difficult for the tongue. This affair is similar for both the listener and the speaker and our afflictions shall be the same. Verily from Allah we came and to Him we shall return.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The sleep of a fasting person is a form of worship, his quietness is a praise to Allah, the rewards of his actions are multiplied, his prayers are rewarded and his sins are forgiving".

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF RAMADAN

All Praise be to Allah who causes all things to pass away but He never passes out. He is the one who causes the moon to dwindle, shrink and fade out after when it is full. He detects the movement of the moon through the horizons. This phenomenon points out the appointed time for all entities. And verily this world and what is in it will diminish and pass away.

I thank Him, glorious and exalted is He. Whoever thinks the laudations of Allah can be number is an ignorant. I also seek His forgiveness from forgetfulness, omissions and distractions. I bear witness that there is no one worthy of been worshiped except Allah, the only, He has no associate. The purified from what all minds comprehend about Him. He is only described with features of perfection, like how it is narrated in the authentic narrations. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is the most honorable creature and the greatest messenger. May Allah's everlasting peace continuous salutations and incessant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companion until the day when minds shall be stunned due to fear.

Oh, servants of Allah, indeed you know that the month of Ramadan is leaving and nothing remains for Shawwal except its advent. The month of Ramadan is complete and leaving as though it was not started and it has witnessed the evil deed of an evil doer and the good deeds of the good doer. So therefore, seek sustenance with acts of obedience, dear brethren and be cautious of hatred, envy and rancor. Straggle to earn good in what remains of this month. Seek benefit of immense gains in the last days of the month of love. Obtain provisions for the hereafter. And know that verily the hereafter is an exceptionally great day. And depart this month of yours with the farewell of love ones. And say "May Allah makes you not empty oh month of rewards. May Allah make you not empty, oh month of forgiveness, may Allah make you not empty, oh month of night vigil, may Allah make you not empty, oh month of orphans, may Allah make you not empty, oh month of gateways, may Allah make you not empty, oh month of illumination, may Allah make you not empty, oh month of remembrance and glorification of Allah, may Allah make you not empty, oh month of clearing the burden of sins, your days are not everlasting for us. Our mosques have been visited and

filled with goodness during your days, our paths have also been filled with brightness and our sins have been forgiven by Allah's pardoned during your days. Pleasant tidings are for the one whose deeds have been accepted.

HADITH

- ❖ The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The rewards for the month of Ramadan are suspended between the heaven and the earth and it is not ascended until *Zakat al-fitr* is paid".
- The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Had my nation known of what goodness is in the month of Ramadan. They will have wished that the month of Ramadan was for an entire year"
- The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Verily Allah liberates on every night of the month of Ramadan 600,000 servants from the hellfire. And when it the last night. Allah frees a number equal to what has been freed in all the past night combined. Had Allah permitted the sky to speak, it will bear a witness of entry into paradise for the one who fasts during the month of Ramadan"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SHAWWAL

All praise be to Allah, the forbearing, the forgiver, the loving, the grateful, the amender of the broken, He is the one who created the heavens and the earth and made darkness and light. He has honored this month and has made it the beginning of the months of pilgrimage.

I thank Him, glorious and exalted is He, for all predestined affair. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, a witness which saves its bearer from the darkness of the grave. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is the one who erected the luminous banner of Islam after it was vanquished. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions until the day of resurrection and return to Allah.

Oh people, be thankful to Allah for successful are those who are thankful to Him. Engage your tongues with His glorification, for happy is the one who glorifies Him. Depend on Him for all your wants and needs for He is the gracious and does not fail those depend on Him. Magnify Him for He is merciful and does not punish with the hellfire those who magnify Him. Fear a day when people shall be seized by the forelocks and their feet. Do not say the month of Ramadan has gone so will you make lawful the forbidden. For indeed Allah dislikes who disobeys Him in any month at all and He likes to be obeyed at all times and generations. And welcome this month with that which is pleasing to the king, the originator of all. And seek proximity towards Him by ways of charity and feeding the destitute. And know that verily extinction has encompassed all so immortality is impossible. All affairs have also been decreed so there is no change nor exchange. The ocean of death is inevitable for all. Had there been an honored person or someone from a dignified linear or someone with a gracious look that will be salvaged from death then the first will be our master Prophet Muhammad (S) the companion of revelation.

HADITH

- ❖ Muslim and Nasåi have narrated from Abi Huraira (r.a) that, the Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Oh people, verily Allah has made the Hajj obligatory on you" Then a man asked is it every year Oh messenger of Allah? The Holy Prophet (S) kept silent until the man repeated his statement three times. The Holy Prophet (S) said: "had I said yes it would have been compulsory every year and you will not able to bear it"
- ❖ In another narration, the Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The *Hajj* and *Umrah* scotches away poverty and sins, like how fire blows or clears away the dirt of an iron"
- ❖ It has been narrated again that the Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The one who goes on a pilgrimage is in the warranty of Allah in and out. Allah accepts his prayers and amends his affairs".

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SHAWWAL

All praise be to Allah, the initiator of all forms of life, the creator of the slate and the pen. The forbearing who overlooks the shortcomings of His servant, when he is made accountable for it, he becomes remorseful. The exalted in His kingship, the generous and merciful to His servant when he complains of affliction that befalls him. All praise be to Allah who has made the pilgrimage to His sacred house obligatory. Blessed is the one who embarks on the pilgrimage to witness the sacred house.

I thank Him, sacred and exalted is He for what He has given of His generosity. I bear witness that, there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. The worshipped, the greatest. I also bear witness that verily our master Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. The chief of all creations among the Arabs and the non-Arabs. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions with the existence of bounties and grace.

Oh people, know that verily you shall be questioned about what has been made obligatory upon you, and therefore strive before death comes to you. Your works of good and evil, small or big, shall not be overlooked. And you shall be made accountable for performing acts of haram by sinning and following your desires. Whoever spends a penny on Hajj is like the one who has spent thousands of such amount in terms of reward. For the Hajj is one of the principal pillars of Islam. It has been narrated from the Holy Prophet (S) that whoever possess provisions and a means of travel which will link him to the sacred house of Allah but did not embark on the pilgrimage, shall be punished with the hellfire for neglecting the Hajj. Amazing is the success of the one who spends his lawful earning on the pilgrimage to the house of Allah, it is obligatory on whoever has the means, as the companion of might stated. And whoever does not have the means shall not be held accountable or questioned because Allah does not accept the Hajj which was made with unlawful earnings. Whoever embarks on Hajj with a haram wealth and says Labbaika Allahumma Labbaika, at your service my lord at your service" a caller calls out from the heaven saying "your response has not been accepted and you have not been successful and your Hajj has been returned back to you and not accepted. Whoever amasses haram earnings shall be remorseful. Be cautious of gossiping and backbiting and

fornication and lying and all other despised actions and innovations, both new and old ones. And perform good deeds for many bounties comes along the Hajj. And abase yourselves with your follow Muslims when you embark on Hajj. Respect the elderly and have mercy on the young and be cautious of Allah, the king, the powerful, for it has been narrated that "whoever treats with mercy shall be treated with mercy"

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Those who treat others with mercy, the merciful shall be merciful to them. Be merciful with those on earth, those in heaven shall have mercy on you"

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SHAWWAL

All praise be to Allah, the graceful upon whoever obeys Him and seek His satisfaction. The one who takes retribution on whoever disobeys and follows his desires. The one who knows whatever a servant exposes and what he conceals, the one who provides the sustenance of all His servants, so He does not leave anyone among them and does not forget him.

I thank Him, sacred and exalted is He, with frequent thanksgiving for no one deserves gratitude except Him. I bear witness that, there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. The witness of a servant who fears nothing but Allah. I also bear witness that verily our master Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is the one who Allah has chosen and selected. May Allah's continuous blessings, abundant salutations and incessant peace be upon him, his purified households and truthful companions until the end of time.

Oh people, the journey is near whiles you are neglectful of obedience. Life spans are exhausted whiles you are persistent in sinning. Distress gets piled up whiles you are in inordinance, blindly wandering on. Are you entrusted with life and ever stay or do you have a promise with Allah on everlasting stay in this world. Nay! Verily you shall depart it and shall leave its grace, do you not take lesson from the past dead generations? Do you not fear the presentation before the lord of the heavens? Have you not seen that the distress of the hereafter

gets piled? Do you not see that hearts develop disharmony due to envy? Do you not see that indecency is now openly practiced? Do you not see that the zeal for goodness is now downplayed? Do you not see that innovations are increased and widespread? Do you not see that strives have overpowered ease and got established? Do you not see that loyalty is no more and it is breached? Do you not see that the breach of promise is now increased? It is as though am with you when the knocker of evil incidents knocks and holds you unexpectedly whiles you do not feel a pre-note. So, wake up from your sleep, may Allah have mercy on you, before death. Take provisions for the end time before your death and the presentation before the King, the Powerful. Before all secrets are revealed and before reprisal, before salvation becomes impossible, before the descending of the sun on heads, before souls and spirits are destroyed.

HADITH

- The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Four things lead to wretchedness, dryness of the eyelids, and hardening of the heart, desire and unending dissatisfaction"
- The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Have mercy on three; a wealthy person who becomes a destitute among his people, the mighty who becomes abased among his people and a scholar among the ignoramuses"

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF SHAWWAL

All praise be to Allah who has no associate in His dominion and His existence. He is sacred and purified in His immemorial existence so no eye can perceive Him. He has decreed with His judgment among His servants and there is none who can turn down His decree and His ruling. He has apportioned provisions and life spans among His servants, He makes some of them deprived whiles He provides for others. He makes some successful and others wretched.

I thank Him for what He has given of His grace and mercy, and I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, a witness with which its bearer will attain his desires. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad is His servant and messenger, the chief of His Prophets. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations

and everlasting blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions until the day of exposition to Allah and meeting Him.

Oh people, I enjoin you to be cautious of Allah, verily those who are cautious of Allah are successful. And I desist from acts of disobedience for indeed jeopardized is he who disobeys his lord. And persist on obedience to Him at all times by virtue of that you will attain His trust. And also desists from following heart desires. Indeed, lost is the one who follows his heart desires. I also enjoin you to be in hurry in repenting to Allah before lifespans are brought to an end. And know verily, oh servants of Allah, that whoever remembers Allah, Allah remembers him. And whatever deed you have committed of good, you shall meet it with Allah. And be cautious of this generation of yours, verily it is a generation where goodness is scarce while ordeal and evil deeds are rampant. Evil deeds are widespread and oppression keeps increasing. And all of us are busy with seeking worldly materials. The unfocused have forgotten about death. There is no successful plan nor power except with Allah. The religion has become a though it was newly introduced like how it started. The day when evil deeds shall be exposed will be a day of immense grief and no turning point for evil doers, a day when our body parts shall bear witness against us whiles the ultimate judge shall be Allah. It is a day when no soul shall be able to recompense for another soul a single thing and all affairs will be decided by Allah.

HADITH

- ❖ It is narrated in the two authentic books that Holy Prophet (S) has said: "Verily generation revolves like how it is when Allah created the heavens and the earth. A year is made of twelve months which consists of four sacred months, three of which are in succession: Zul qa'da, Zul Hijja Muharram and Rajab, which is between Jumad al-Ula and Shaban"
- ❖ Bukhari has also narrated from Abi Huraira that the Holy Prophet (S) has said: "As generation get close, knowledge get declined, covetousness remains, misfortunes and hardships shall prevail. The companions said which is that one, oh messenger of Allah? He (S): incidence of killing people"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF ZUL QA'ADA

All praise be to Allah for the grace of Islam and that is the greatest grace. He bestows His servants with goodness and judges with justice. He is the one who is featured with honor and generosity. He is exalted from moving from place to place and from diminishing and from non-existence. He is the one who cannot be described with a race, no slate nor a pen can encompass His knowledge.

I thank Him, glorious and exalted is He in all situations, in times of ease and difficulties. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He is the lord who created all creatures and planed and apportioned provisions for them. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is a prophet who Allah sent to all creatures, so he gives glad tidings, warms puts fear on the rebellious group of idol worshippers and vanquished them. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations and everlasting blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions with the existence of grace and generosity.

Oh people, may Allah safeguard us and you and all Muslims from tribulations and ordeals. Do not be deceived by this world with its beauties for this world and all that it entails are heading towards non-existence. This world is in such a way that, when it accepts now, it despises later and becomes impure after it is clean. It becomes bitter after sweetness, when it entrusts it deceives, it does not fulfil a promise nor a pledge, its closeness is far. Its ease is difficulty, its health and wellbeing ends with sickness. Many at times it guides and misguides, many at times it causes smiles which are followed by worries and tears. It has brought many centuries and nations into non-existence. Where is the father of mankind the honorable prophet Adam, the companion of a luminous vision? Where are the kingdoms of *Akasira* where are the kings of *Jababira*? Where is he who caused disunity and oppression among people? Where is *Fir 'awn*, where is Haman, where is the kingdom of Prophet Suleiman, where are the rhetoricians of the generations. When is the one who requested and conquered, judged and planned? By Allah the one who initiated them has caused their non-existence. The one who assembled them has distorted them, and has quaff them with the evil incident of time. He shall bring them back after death, miss out and non-existence. This world is means of transport of a

rider, he moves with it based on his wish and desire. Except that it becomes the worst means of transport where with bad intentions and plans. Oh, you who performs many acts of mistakes and disobedience, be remorseful and return to the knower of the unknown. Purify yourself from sins with truthful repentance, tears and remorse. And be cautious of the cry of the oppressed, for verily Allah is angered with His cries and judges with it.

HADITH

The has been narrated from Abu Bakr Siddeeq that, he said in a sermon that he delivered. Oh, people verily you read this verse and gives it a wrong interpretation; "Oh, you who believe take care of yourselves, no hurt can come to you from those whom are in errors when you follow the right guidance" Verily I heard the Holy Prophet (S) saying, "there isn't a people who perform acts of sins and among them are those who can despise that act but does not avoid them, such people are on the verge to be inflicted with a punishment from Allah"

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF ZUL QA'ADA

All praise be to Allah who is enough for those who entrust all their affairs to Him with a truthful intention. Whoever seeks proximity to Allah by obeying His rules and principles, He draws him and gets him closer. And whoever seeks answer to prayers by means of His special supplications, He answers him. Again, whoever seeks His succor against his enemies and the envious, He provides aid and offers guardianship.

I thank Him, glorious and exalted is He, and am grateful for what He has given of His grace. I bear witness that, verily there is no one worthy of being worshipped except Allah, the only, He has no associate. He is the deity after whom we have no lord. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is the one who water spring from in-between his fingers. May Allah's abundant blessings, everlasting peace, incessant salutations and mercies be upon this honorable Prophet, the messenger from the greatest linage, our master Prophet Muhammad (s), his purified households, his companions and all those who established his path until the day of meeting Him.

Oh people (servant of Allah) entrust all your affairs to Allah, for nothing occurs except what Allah has planned and decreed it happening. Seeks His trust, for there is nothing better than gaining His trust. When it comes to worldly grace and happiness always look at those below your levels so that you will be grateful to Allah's grace and do not look at the one who is above your level with respect to what Allah has provided of sustenance in this world for that will lead you to envy, hatred, and enmity of fellow Muslims and causing harm to them. The actuality of envy is like associating injustice to the true king and rejecting His decree. The disobedience and abasement and ejection of *Ibliss* resulted from nothing except his envy for Prophet Adam when he rejected the command of bowing. The envious does not predominate even when he attains glory and epitome of pride. Because of that every one of you should be busy away from that which concerns him not and focus on what is his business. None of you should oppress the other for Allah will crisp the oppressor. Do not make this world your greatest worry. For verily abased and lost is he who is a slave to the world. And make the hereafter your greatest priority, for it is a place or an abode of everlasting life. And know that, the seeker of this world has been deprived the hereafter while at the same time he shall not attain what he has been chasing in this world, and as for the seeker of the hereafter he shall be rewarded with the good works he did in this world and it is fulfilled.

HADITH

❖ It has been narrated from an authentic hadith that, the Holy Prophet(s) said: "Envy eats away good deeds like the similitude of how fire consumes woods. Alms giving scotches away sins just like how water puts out fire, prayers are the believer brightness, fasting is a shield from the hellfire"

THE THIRD SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF ZUL-QU'ADA

All praise be to Allah. The one, the powerful, the forbearing, the generous, the concealer. He is purified from associates and help. He is alone in His holiness and is purified in His exalted

being. 'And it is your lord who creates what He wish and selects'. I thank Him, with the thankfulness of a servant who testifies abasement and inability. I am also grateful to Him with the gratefulness of one whose body parts are in constant obedience to his lord throughout the night and during the day. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate, a bear witness which salvages its bearer from the hellfire. I also bear witness that verily, our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the chosen prophet. May Allah's everlasting peace, incessant salutations and abundant blessings be upon him, his purified households and companions until the day when eyes shall be fixedly opened.

Oh people, indeed years have gone by and within a short time you shall be departing this world. And you shall reside in an abode where there will be no friends or neighbors. Your home of pleasure and luxury in this world shall be exchanged for hacked graves which will either be a garden from among the gardens of paradise or a well from among the trenches of the hellfire. And you shall be driven to a place where gazes shall be fixedly open. And all secrets shall be exposed. It has narrated from Kahbul Akhbar that he said: People shall be made to stand at a single arena for a period of about 70,000 years without eating nor drinking any cold or hot. Allah will not give them attention and they will be crying and shedding tears as though it was rainfall. When the tears are over, they shall shed tears of blood, purely red. It is said from a narrator that, Indeed Aisha asked the Holy Prophet (S), Oh messenger of Allah, will men and women stand together bear footed and naked? They Holy Prophet (S) said 'yes'. She said how ugly and disgraceful is this going to be. On that day my Lord, safeguard me form the punishment of the hellfire. The Holy Prophet (S) then said, oh daughter of Abi Quhåfa do not be worried of that day, Allah is forbearing and conceals scandals. Allah shall make every man be occupied with an affair on that day, and eyes shall be made blind. The extravagant shall stand before Allah, remorseful and ashamed. He will be seemed perplexed in answering queries whiles he is not, but rather preoccupied with awe and with a sealed tongue. A person shall either attain salvation and it will be said; so-and-so, the son of so-and-so is among the successful or he shall be held and will be called out; so-and-so, the son of so-and-so is among the wretched.

HADITH

It has been narrated from Ali Ibn Abi Talib (a.s) that, the Holy Prophet (S) has said "Jibreel made me terrified of the difficulties of the Day of Judgment until I cried. I said to him Oh Jibreel has Allah not forgiven me my past and future sins? He said Oh messenger of Allah, you will witness what will make you forget the forgiveness"

THE FORTH SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF ZUL-QA DA

All Praise be to Allah who all servants are grateful to from beginning of existence to the end, the worshipped, the one who all creatures intend for fulfilling their desire at all times incessantly. The sustainer of those who obey Him by providing their needs and giving them help. He forgives sins and conceals shortcomings, He provides relief from distress and He is always a source of salvation for believers.

I thank Him, purified and exalted is He. No one can reach the ultimate of His praise, not even the perseverance of a hard-working person. I bear witness there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has associate. He is always the one and only Lord, the one on whom all depend. I also bear witness that, verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger, the one who Allah entrusts till the end of time. Allah chose him as a loved one and named him Muhammad (S). May Allah's everlasting salutations, abundant peace and incessant blessings be upon this honorable Prophet (S) and a messenger of the greatest of all linages, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companions until the end of time.

Oh people, death is inevitable, even if life time and the term of death are prolonged. And undoubtedly, there will be resurrection and gathering of people bare footed and naked after death. And without a doubt there will be severe difficulties for the rebellious and all forms of powers shall be completely made inefficient. And ransoms shall not be accepted from anyone. How I wished to see those performing good deeds to face this day of torment and distress so that they will be salvaged. Where is the one who observes Allah with respect to his hidden and manifest deeds? How great will be the scandals and disgrace of the sinner while Allah is

watchful over him at all times. How great will be the shyness of the one who strives away from Allah while His goodness always reaches him? Therefore, be careful of your duty to Allah with the care which is due to Him you shall be successful in the hereafter.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) said: "Safeguard your wealth with Zakat and medicate your ill ones with charity and face hardship and ordeals with prayers and beseech"

THE FIRST SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF ZUL-HIJJAH

All praise be to Allah whose features are impossible to be described even by eminent describers and the knowledge of His being is concealed from the intellect of men of knowledge. He has revealed to Ibrahim, his loving friend to purify his house for those who circuit around the house and those who stand to pray. And has made the sacredness of His house a refuge and asylum for the fearful and those enter it.

I thank Him for His grace, generosity and His vast bounties. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah the only, He has no associate, a witness by virtue of which we hope for more grace of Allah. Allah has made paradise the abode of he whose last word is that witness. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and messenger. He is a prophet who Allah has sent to establish the religion of Islam, so he made a perfect explanation of the rulings and principles. May Allah's abundant salutations, everlasting peace and incessant blessings be upon this honorable prophet and a messenger of the greatest linage, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his purified households and truthful companions, the noble and virtuous ones.

Oh people, son of Adam, the righteous servants of Allah are careful of their duty whiles you are not. They have abased their souls for the lord of the world whiles you have not. They have sought the means of fulfilling their duty to Him while you have not. They are always on the front line of worship and obedience whiles you are not. They are eager in obedience whiles you procrastinate. He has permitted them to visit His house, so they move between the two

sacred places. They are set for pilgrimage from lawful earnings while you do that from the unlawful earnings, and they enter the lands of Hijaz. And on such a day, they seek pleasure from their sight of the *Ka'ba*, the elegant, the glorious. When they see the *Ka'ba*, they become relieved of all difficulties and tiredness they encounter on their journey. The affairs of a people who have come for the house of Allah are all entrusted to Him, and they seek asylum with Allah, the greatest. And their intentions are purposely to visit the *Ka'ba*. So, they become successful by witnessing that site of great sentiments. Great is the success of the one who embarks on such journey. It is as though you are among such a group while they obtain success by given Allah's trust. They kiss the black stone, and *Rukn al-Yamani* and they circuit around the glorious house of Allah, and drink from the well of *Zamzam* and also prayed at the station of Ibrahim and recite words of litanies and move between the hills of *Safā* and *Marwa*. Be careful of your duty to Allah with the care which is due to Him and also fear his punishment.

HADITH

- The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The Hajj and the Umrah drives away poverty and sins like how fire removes the dirt of an iron"
- ❖ It is also narrated that, he (S) said: "The person who performs the pilgrimage to the house of Allah is in the care of Allah whiles embarking on the pilgrimage and whiles returning"

THE SECOND SERMON FOR THE MONTH OF ZUL – HIJJAH

All praise be to Allah who opens the doors of mercy to anyone who knocks it and makes clear the path of success for the hearts that seeks. And accepts gratitude from the tongues that utter words of gratefulness. He rewards goodness from hands he provides and sustains, He also rewards whoever seeks His vast doors, generosity and forbearance. And whoever visits the house of Allah and does not perform any acts of indecency or a mischief, becomes clean of his sins like the day his mother gave birth to him.

I thank Him for His grace and am grateful for all His inspirations. I bear witness that there is no deity except Allah, the only, He has no associate. The king, the greatest. I also bear witness that verily our master and Prophet Muhammad (S) is His servant and the His most honored messenger. May Allah's abundant salutations, everlasting peace and incessant blessings be upon this honorable prophet and a messenger of the greatest linage, our master Prophet Muhammad (S), his households and truthful companions until the day of resurrection.

Oh people, amazing is the son of Adam, paradise has been garnished for him whiles his laziness keeps him away from it. The hellfire is kindled up as a warning yet his errors ends him in it. The Merciful has called him to his mercy but it is as though he has not heard. But it is very amazing how he responds to the call to destruction by Shaitan. The month of Zul-Hijjah is exposed to him but he snubs until a proof is established against himself. Oh, people this is a month of repentance and remorse. This is a month of resigning from the slipperiness of the foot. In this month, the envoys of Allah are gathered at His sacred house, they circuit around it and seek asylum with His generosity. They seek refuge from His anger by seeking His trust and His pardon from His punishment. They kiss the black stone which is the oath of Allah on earth. So glad tidings are to whoever kiss it, for it witnesses on his behalf on the Day of Judgment. They leave their countries and children to obey Allah, their lord, they migrate to the house of Allah on foot and whiles riding. They call out with words of litanies and praises by saying; Labbaika Allahumma Labbaika, La Sharika laka, we seek your goodness for you are persistent in giving goodness. Oh, You Who is ever known for goodness, the bounteous who is not stingy to guest". How delightful is the success they obtained by visiting His sacred house. And how purified is that moment at the sacred house of Allah on that day. Allah showers his grace on them and stares at them with an eye of mercy.

HADITH

The Holy Prophet (S) has said: "The one who performs the pilgrimage to the house of Allah is in the care of Allah whiles embarking on his pilgrimage and whilst returning".